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Subpart A--Scope

§19.1 General.

The regulations in this part relate to the location, construction, equipment, arrangement, qualification, and operation (including activities incident thereto) of distilled spirits plants.

§19.2 Territorial extent.

This part applies to the several States of the United States and the District of Columbia.

§19.3 Related regulations.

Regulations relating to this part are listed below:

- 27 CFR part 1--Basic Permit Requirements Under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.
- 27 CFR part 2--Nonindustrial Use of Distilled Spirits and Wine.
- 27 CFR part 3--Bulk Sales and Bottling of Distilled Spirits.
- 27 CFR part 4--Wine Labeling and Advertising.
- 27 CFR part 5--Labeling and Advertising Distilled Spirits.
- 27 CFR part 20--Distribution and Use of Denatured Alcohol and Rum.
- 27 CFR part 21--Formulas for Denatured Alcohol and Rum.
- 27 CFR part 22--Distribution and Use of Tax-Free Alcohol.
- 27 CFR part 24--Wine.
- 27 CFR part 30--Gauging Manual.
- 27 CFR part 170--Miscellaneous Regulations Relating to Liquor.
- 27 CFR part 194--Liquor Dealers.
- 27 CFR part 197--Drawback on Distilled Spirits Used in Manfacturing Nonbeverage Products.
- 27 CFR part 200--Rules of Practice in Permit Proceedings.
- 27 CFR part 250--Liquors and Articles from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

27 CFR part 251--Importation of Distilled Spirits, Wine, and Beer.

27 CFR part 252--Exportation of Liquors.

31 CFR part 225--Acceptance of Bonds, Notes, or Other Obligations Issued or Guaranteed by the United States as Security in Lieu of Surety or Sureties on Penal Bonds.

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Subpart B--Definitions

§19.11 Meaning of terms.

When used in this part and in forms prescribed under this part, terms shall have the meaning ascribed in this section. Words in the plural form include the singular, and vice versa, and words indicating the masculine gender include the feminine. The terms "includes" and "including" do not exclude other things not enumerated which are in the same general class.

Alcoholic flavoring materials. Any nonbeverage product on which drawback has been or will be claimed under 26 U.S.C. 5131-5134 or flavors imported free of tax which are unfit for beverage purposes. The term includes eligible flavors but does not include flavorings or flavoring extracts manufactured on the bonded premises of distilled spirits plant as an intermediate product.

Application for registration. The application required under 26 U.S.C. 5171(c).

Area supervisor. The supervisory officer of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms area office.

Article. A product, containing denatured spirits, which was manufactured under 27 CFR part 20 or this part.

ATF bond. For purposes of this part, ATF bond means the internal revenue bond as prescribed in 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51.

ATF officer. An officer or employee of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) authorized to perform any function relating to the administration or enforcement of this part.

Bank. Any commercial bank.

Banking day. Any day during which a bank is open to the public for carrying on substantially all its banking functions.

Basic permit. The document authorizing the person named therein to engage in a designated business or activity under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.

Bonded premises. The premises of a distilled spirits plant, or part thereof, as described in the application for registration, on which distilled spirits operations defined in 26 U.S.C. 5002 are authorized to be conducted.

Bottler. A proprietor of a distilled spirits plant qualified under this part as a processor

who bottles distilled spirits.

Bulk container. Any approved container having a capacity in excess of one wine gallon.

Bulk conveyance. A tank car, tank truck, tank ship, tank barge, or a compartment of any such conveyance, or any other container approved by the Director for the conveyance of comparable quantities of spirits, including denatured spirits, and wines.

Bulk distilled spirits. The term *bulk distilled spirits* means distilled spirits in a container having a capacity in excess of one gallon.

Business day. Any day, other than a Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday. (The term legal holiday includes all holidays in the District of Columbia and statewide holidays in the particular State in which the claim, report, or return, as the case may be, is required to be filed, or the act is required to be performed.)

Carrier. Any person, company, corporation, or organization, including a proprietor, owner, consignor, consignee, or bailee, who transports distilled spirits, denatured spirits, or wine in any manner for himself or others.

CFR. The Code of Federal Regulations.

Commercial bank. A bank, whether or not a member of the Federal Reserve system, which has access to the Federal Reserve Communications System (FRCS) or Fedwire. The "FRCS" or "Fedwire" is a communications network that allows Federal Reserve system member banks to effect a transfer of funds for their customers (or other commercial banks) to the Treasury Account at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Container. A receptacle, vessel, or form of bottle, can, package, tank or pipeline (where specifically included) used or capable of being used to contain, store, transfer, convey, remove, or withdraw spirits and denatured spirits.

Denaturant or denaturing material. Any material authorized under 27 CFR part 21 for addition to spirits in the production of denatured spirits.

Denatured spirits. Spirits to which denaturants have been added as provided in 27 CFR part 21.

Director. The Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC.

Director of the service center. A director of an internal revenue service center.

Distilled spirits operations. Any authorized distilling, warehousing, or processing operations conducted on the bonded premises of a plant qualified under this part.

Distilling material. Any fermented or other alcoholic substance capable of, or intended for use in, the original distillation or other original processing of spirits.

District director. A district director of internal revenue.

Effective tax rate. The net tax rate after reduction for any credit allowable under 26 U.S.C. 5010 for wine and flavor content at which the tax imposed on distilled spirits by 26 U.S.C. 5001 or 7652 is paid or determined.

Electronic fund transfer or EFT. Any transfer of funds effected by a proprietor's commercial bank, either directly or through a correspondent banking relationship, via the Federal Reserve Communications System (FRCS) or Fedwire to the Treasury Account at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Eligible flavor. A flavor which:

- (1) Is of a type that is eligible for drawback of tax under 26 U.S.C. 5134,
- (2) Was not manufactured on the premises of a distilled spirits plant, and
- (3) Was not subjected to distillation on distilled spirits plant premises such that the flavor does not remain in the finished product.

Eligible wine. Wine on which tax would be imposed by paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of 26 U.S.C. 5041(b) but for its removal to distilled spirits plant premises and which has not been subject to distillation at a distilled spirits plant after receipt in bond.

Export or exportation. A severance of goods from the mass of things belonging to the United States with the intention of uniting them to the mass of things belonging to some foreign country and shall include shipments to any possession of the United States. For the purposes of this part, shipments to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and to the territories of the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and Guam, shall also be treated as exportations.

Fermenting material. Any material which is to be subjected to a process of fermentation to produce distilling material.

Fiduciary. A guardian, trustee, executor, administrator, receiver, conservator, or any person acting in any fiduciary capacity for any person.

Fiscal year. The period October 1 of one calendar year through September 30 of the following year.

Gallon or wine gallon. The liquid measure equivalent to the volume of 231 cubic inches.

In bond. When used with respect to spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wine refers to spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wine possessed under bond to secure the payment of the taxes imposed by 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, and on which such taxes have not been determined. The term includes such spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wine on the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant, such spirits, denatured spirits, or wines in transit between bonded premises (including, in the case of wine, bonded wine cellar premises). Additionally, the term refers to spirits in transit from customs custody to bonded premises, and spirits withdrawn without payment of tax under 26 U.S.C. 5214, and with respect to which relief from liability has not occurred under the provisions of 26 U.S.C. 5005(e)(2).

Industrial use. As applied to spirits, shall have the meaning ascribed in 27 CFR part 2.

Intermediate product. Any product manufactured pursuant to an approved formula under 27 CFR part 5, not intended for sale as such but for use in the manufacture of a distilled spirits product.

I.R.C. The Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.

Kind. As applied to spirits, except as provided in §19.597, kind shall mean class and type as prescribed in 27 CFR part 5. As applied to wines, kind shall mean the classes and types of wines as prescribed in 27 CFR part 4.

Liquor bottle. A bottle made of glass or earthenware, or of other suitable material approved by the Food and Drug Administration, which has been designed or is intended for use as a container for distilled spirits for sale for beverage purposes and which has been determined by the Director to protect the revenue adequately.

Liter. A metric unit of capacity equal to 1,000 cubic centimeters of alcoholic beverage, and equivalent to 33.814 fluid ounces. A liter is divided into 1,000 milliliters. Milliliter or milliliters may be abbreviated as "ml."

Lot identification. The lot identification described in §19.593.

Mash, wort, wash. Any fermented material capable of, or intended for, use as a distilling material.

Nonindustrial use. As applied to spirits, shall have the meaning ascribed in 27 CFR part 2.

Operating permit. The document issued pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 5171(d), authorizing the person named therein to engage in the business or operation described therein.

Package. A cask or barrel or similar wooden container, or a drum or similar metal container.

Package identification number. The package identification number described in §19.593.

Person. An individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation.

Plant or distilled spirits plant. An establishment qualified under this part for distilling, warehousing, processing or any combination thereof.

Plant number. The number assigned to a distilled spirits plant by the regional director (compliance).

Processor. Except as otherwise provided under 26 U.S.C. 5002(a)(6), any person qualified under this part who manufactures, mixes, bottles, or otherwise processes distilled spirits or denatured spirits, or manufactures any article.

Proof. The ethyl alcohol content of a liquid at 60 degrees Fahrenheit, stated as twice the percent of ethyl alcohol by volume.

Proof of distillation. The composite proof of the spirits at the time the production gauge is made, or, if the spirits had been reduced in proof prior to the production gauge, the proof of the spirits prior to such reduction, unless the spirits are subsequently redistilled at a higher proof than the proof prior to reduction.

Proof gallon. A gallon of liquid at 60 degrees Fahrenheit which contains 50 percent by volume of ethyl alcohol having a specific gravity of 0.7939 at 60 degrees Fahrenheit referred to water at 60 degrees Fahrenheit as unity, or the alcoholic equivalent thereof.

Proprietor. The person qualified under this part to operate the distilled spirits plant.

Reconditioning. The dumping of distilled spirits products in bond after their bottling or packaging, for purposes other than destruction, denaturation, redistillation, or rebottling. The term may include the filtration, clarification, stabilization, or reformulation of a product.

Recovered article. An article containing specially denatured spirits salvaged without all of its original ingredients, or an article containing completely denatured alcohol salvaged without all of the denaturants for completely denatured alcohol, under 27 CFR part 20.

Region. A Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms region.

Region director (*compliance*). The principal regional official responsible for administering regulations in this part.

Season. The period from January 1 through June 30, is the spring season, and the period from July 1 through December 31 is the fall season.

Secretary. The Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate.

Service center. An Internal Revenue Service Center in any of the Internal Revenue regions.

Spirits or distilled spirits. That substance known as ethyl alcohol, ethanol, or spirits of wine in any form (including all dilutions and mixtures thereof, from whatever source or by whatever process produced) but not denatured spirits unless specifically stated. The term does not include mixtures of distilled spirits and wine, bottled at 48° proof or less, if the mixture contains more than 50 percent wine on a proof gallon basis.

Spirits residues. Residues, containing distilled spirits, of a manufacturing process related to the production of an article under 27 CFR part 20.

Tax-determined or determined. When used with respect to the tax on any distilled spirits to be withdrawn from bond on determination of tax, shall mean that the taxable quantity of spirits has been established.

Taxpaid. When used with respect to distilled spirits shall mean that all applicable taxes imposed by law in respect of such spirits have been determined or paid as provided by law.

This chapter. Title 27, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter I (27 CFR Chapter I).

Transfer in bond. The removal of spirits, denatured spirits and wines from one bonded premises to another bonded premises.

Treasury Account. The Department of the Treasury's General Account at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Unfinished spirits. Spirits in the production system prior to production gauge.

U.S.C. The United States Code.

Warehouseman. A proprietor of a distilled spirits plant qualified under this part to store bulk distilled spirits.

Wine spirits. The term "wine spirits" means spirits authorized for use in wine production by 26 U.S.C. 5373.

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9160, Mar. 6, 1985; T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23951, June 7, 1985; T.D. ATF-230, 51 FR 21748, June 16, 1986; T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18061, Apr. 30, 1990; T.D. ATF-398; 63 FR 44783, Aug. 21, 1998]

Subpart C--Taxes

Gallonage Taxes

§19.21 Tax.

- (a) A tax is imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5001 and 7652 on all spirits produced in, imported into or brought into the United States at the rate prescribed in section 5001 on each proof gallon and a proportionate tax at a like rate on all fractional parts of a proof gallon. Wines containing more than 24 percent of alcohol by volume are taxed as spirits. All products of distillation, by whatever name known, which contain spirits, on which the tax imposed by law has not been paid, and any alcoholic ingredient added to such products, are considered and taxed as spirits.
- (b) A credit against the tax imposed on distilled spirits by 26 U.S.C. 5001 or 7652 is allowable under 26 U.S.C. 5010 on each proof gallon of alcohol derived from eligible wine or from eligible flavors which do not exceed 2½ percent of the finished product on a proof gallon basis. The credit is allowable at the time the tax is payable as if it constituted a reduction in the rate of tax.
- (c) Where credit against the tax is desired, the person liable for the tax shall establish an effective tax rate in accordance with §19.34. The effective tax rate established will be applied to each withdrawal or other taxable disposition of the distilled spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1314, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5001); Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010); Act of August 16, 1954, Pub. L. 591, 68A Stat. 907, as amended (26 U.S.C. 7652)).

[T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18061, Apr. 30, 1990]

§19.22 Attachment of tax.

Under 26 U.S.C. 5001(b), the tax attaches to spirits as soon as the substance comes into existence as such, whether it be subsequently separated as pure or impure spirits, or be immediately, or at any subsequent time, transferred into any other substance, either in the process of original production, or by any subsequent process.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1314, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5001))

§19.23 Lien.

Under 26 U.S.C. 5004, the tax becomes a first lien on the spirits from the time the spirits come into existence as such. The conditions under which the first lien shall be terminated are described in 26 U.S.C. 5004.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1317, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5004))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

§19.24 Persons liable for tax.

- (a) *Distilling*. 26 U.S.C. 5005 provides that the distiller of spirits is liable for the tax and that each proprietor or possessor of, and person in any manner interested in the use of, any still, distilling apparatus, or distillery, shall be jointly and severally liable for the tax on distilled spirits produced. However, a person, not an officer or director of a corporate proprietor, owning or having the right of control of not more than 10 percent of any class of stock of that proprietor, is not liable by reason of the stock ownership or control. Persons transferring spirits in bond so liable for the tax are relieved of liability if
 - (1) The proprietors of transferring and receiving premises are independent of each other and neither has a proprietary interest, directly or indirectly, in the business of the other, and
 - (2) No person so liable for the tax on the spirits transferred retains any interest in the spirits.

(b) Storage on bonded premises.

- 26 U.S.C. 5005(c) provides that each person operating bonded premises shall be liable for the tax on all spirits while the spirits are stored on the premises, and on all spirits which are in transit to the premises from the time of removal from the transferor's bonded premises, pursuant to an approved application. Liability for the tax continues until the spirits are transferred or withdrawn from bonded premises as authorized by law, or until the liability for tax is relieved under the provisions of 26 U.S.C. 5008(a). Claims for relief from liability for spirits lost are provided for in §19.41. Voluntary destruction of spirits in bond is provided for in subpart U of this part.
- (c) Withdrawals without payment of tax. Under 26 U.S.C. 5005(e), any person who withdraws spirits from the bonded premises of a plant without payment of tax, as provided in 26 U.S.C. 5214, shall be liable for the tax on the spirits from the time of withdrawal. The person shall be relieved of any liability at the time the spirits are exported, deposited in a foreign-trade zone, used in production of wine, deposited in a customs bonded warehouse, laden as supplies upon or used in the maintenance or repair of certain vessels or aircraft, or used for certain research, development or testing, as provided by law.
- (d) Withdrawals free of tax. Persons liable for tax under paragraph (a) of this section, are relieved of the liability on spirits withdrawn from bonded premises free of tax under this part, at the time the spirits are withdrawn.
- (e) Withdrawn from customs custody without payment of tax. 26 U.S.C. 5232(a) provides that when imported distilled spirits in bulk containers are withdrawn from customs custody and transferred to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant without payment of the tax imposed on imported distilled spirits by 26 U.S.C. 5001, the person operating the bonded premises of the distilled spirits plant to which spirits are transferred shall become liable for the tax on the spirits upon their release from customs custody, and the importer shall thereupon be relieved of liability for the tax.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1318, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5005); sec. 3, Pub. L. 90-630, 82 Stat. 1328, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5232); sec. 3, Pub. L. 91-659, 84 Stat. 1965, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5066))

§19.25 Time for tax determination.

Except as otherwise provided in this part, the tax on spirits shall be determined when the spirits are withdrawn from bond. The tax on spirits which are to be withdrawn from bonded premises shall be determined upon completion of the gauge for determination of tax and before withdrawal from bonded premises.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat 1320, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5006))

§19.26 Tax on wine.

(a) Imposition of tax.

A tax is imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5041 or 7652 on wine (including imitation, substandard, or artificial wine, and compounds sold as wine) produced in or imported or brought into the United States. Proprietors of distilled spirits plants may become liable for wine taxes under 26 U.S.C. 5362(b)(3) in connection with wine transferred in bond to a distilled spirits plant. Wine may not be removed from the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant for consumption or sale as wine.

(b) Liability for tax. Except as otherwise provided by law, the liability for tax on wine transferred in bond from a bonded wine cellar to a distilled spirits plant, or transferred in bond between distilled spirits plants, will continue until the wine is used in a distilled spirits product.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1331, as amended, 1380, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5041, 5362))

[T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18062, Apr. 30, 1990; 55 FR 23634, June 11, 1990]

Assessments

§19.31 Production not accounted for.

Where the regional director (compliance) finds that a distiller has not accounted for all spirits produced by him, assessment shall be made for the tax on the difference between the quantity reported and the quantity found to have been actually produced.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1320, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5006))

§19.32 Assessment of tax on spirits, denatured spirits, or wines in bond which are lost, destroyed or removed without authorization.

When spirits, denatured spirits, or wines in bond are lost or destroyed (except spirits, denatured spirits, or wines on which the tax is not collectible by reason of the provisions of 26 U.S.C. 5008 (a) or (d) or 26 U.S.C. 5370, as applicable) and the proprietor or other person liable for the tax on the spirits, denatured spirits, or wines fails to file a claim for remission as provided in §19.41(a) or when the claim is denied, the tax shall be assessed. In any case where spirits, denatured spirits, or wines in bond are removed from bonded premises other than as authorized by law, the tax shall be assessed. In the case of losses under circumstances described in 26 U.S.C. 5006(b) with respect to packages of spirits or denatured spirits on bonded premises, the tax shall be assessed if the tax is not paid upon the demand of the regional director (compliance).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1320, as amended, 1323, as amended, 1381, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5006, 5008, 5370))

Effective Tax Rates

SOURCE: Sections 19.34 through 19.38 added by T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18062, Apr. 30, 1990, unless otherwise noted.

§19.34 Computation of effective tax rate.

- (a) The proprietor shall compute the effective tax rate for distilled spirits containing eligible wine or eligible flavors as the ratio of the numerator and denominator as follows:
 - (1) The numerator will be the sum of:
 - (i) The proof gallons of all distilled spirits used in the product (exclusive of distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors), multiplied by the tax rate prescribed by 26 U.S.C. 5001;
 - (ii) The wine gallons of each eligible wine used in the product, multiplied by the tax rate prescribed by 26 U.S.C. 5041(b)(1), (2), or (3), which would be imposed on the wine but for its removal to bonded premises; and
 - (iii) The proof gallons of all distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors used in the product, multiplied by the tax rate prescribed by 26 U.S.C. 5001, but only to the extent that such distilled spirits exceed 2½% of the denominator prescribed in paragraph (a)(2) of this section.
 - (2) The denominator will be the sum of:
 - (i) The proof gallons of all distilled spirits used in the product, including distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors; and
 - (ii) The wine gallons of each eligible wine used in the product, multiplied by twice the percentage of alcohol by volume of each, divided by 100.
- (b) In determining the effective tax rate, quantities of distilled spirits, eligible wine, and eligible flavors will be expressed to the nearest tenth of a proof gallon. The effective tax rate may be rounded to as many decimal places as the proprietor deems appropriate, provided that, such rate is expressed no less exactly than the rate rounded to the nearest whole cent, and the effective tax rates for all products will be consistently expressed to the same number of decimal places. In such case, if the number is less than five it will be dropped; if it is five or over, a unit will be added.
- (c) The following is an example of the use of the formula.

BATCH RECORD

Distilled Spirits	2249.1 proof gallons.		
Eligible wine (14% alcohol by volume)	2265.0 wine gallons		
Eligible wine (19% alcohol by volume)	1020.0 wine gallons		
Eligible flavors	100.9 proof gallons		

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(Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

[T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18062, Apr. 30, 1990, as amended by T.D. ATF-307, 52736, Dec. 21, 1990]

§19.35 Application of effective tax rate (Actual).

Any proprietor who does not apply effective tax rates to taxable removals in accordance with §19.36, 19.37 or 19.38 shall establish an effective tax rate for each batch of distilled spirits in the processing account on which credit against tax is desired for alcohol derived from eligible wine or eligible flavors. The effective tax rate will be computed in accordance with §19.34 and will be recorded on the dump or batch record for the product, as required by §19.748. The serial numbers of the cases removed at such rate shall be recorded on the record of tax determination prescribed in §19.761 or other related record available for examination by any ATF officer.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201); Sec 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

§19.36 Standard effective tax rate.

- (a) The proprietor may establish a permanent standard effective tax rate for any eligible distilled spirits product based on the least quantity and the lowest alcohol content of eligible wine or eligible flavors used in the manufacture of the product. The permanent standard effective tax rate must equal the highest tax rate applicable to the product. The proprietor shall maintain a permanent record of the standard effective tax rate established for each product in accordance with §19.765. Whenever the proprietor manufactures a batch of the product with a lesser quantity or lower alcohol content of eligible wine or eligible flavor, he shall keep the cased goods segregated from other completed cases of the same product and shall tax determine the product in accordance with §19.35.
- (b) If the regional director (compliance) finds that the use of this procedure jeopardizes the revenue or causes administrative difficulty, the proprietor shall discontinue the use of the procedure.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201); Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

§19.37 Average effective tax rate.

(a) The proprietor may establish an average effective tax rate for any eligible distilled spirits product based on the total proof gallons in all batches of the same composition which have been produced during the preceding 6-month period and which have been or will be bottled or packaged, in whole or in part, for domestic

¹ Proof gallons by which distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors exceed 2 1/2%) of the total proof gallons in the batch (100.9-(2 1/2%)x3,371.8=16.6)

consumption. At the beginning of each month, the proprietor shall recompute the average effective tax rate so as to include only the immediately preceding 6-month period. The average effective tax rate established for a product will be shown in the record of average effective tax rates prescribed in §19.763.

(b) If the regional director (compliance) finds that the use of this procedure jeopardizes the revenue or causes administrative difficulty, the proprietor shall discontinue the use of this procedure.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201); Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

§19.38 Inventory reserve account.

- (a) The proprietor may establish an inventory reserve account for any eligible distilled spirits product by maintaining an inventory reserve record as prescribed by 19.764. The effective tax rate applied to each removal or other disposition will be the effective tax rate recorded on the inventory reserve record from which the removal or other disposition is depleted.
- (b) If the regional director (compliance) finds that the use of this procedure jeopardizes the revenue or causes administrative difficulty, the proprietor shall discontinue the use of this procedure.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201); Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

Claims

§19.41 Claims on spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines lost or destroyed in bond.

(a) Claims for remission.

All claims for remission of tax required by this part, relating to the destruction or loss of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines in bond, shall be filed with the regional director (compliance) and shall set forth the following:

- (1) Identification (including serial numbers if any) and location of the container or containers from which the spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines were lost, or removed for destruction:
- (2) Quantity of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines lost or destroyed from each container, and the total quantity of spirits or wines covered by the claim;
- (3) Total amount of tax for which the claim is filed;
- (4) Name, number, and address of the plant from which withdrawn without payment of tax or removed for transfer in bond (if claim involves spirits so withdrawn or removed or if claim involves wines transferred in bond) and date and purpose of such withdrawal or removal, except that in the case of imported spirits lost or destroyed while being transferred from customs custody to ATF bond as provided in §19.481, the name of the customs warehouse, if any, and port of entry will be given instead of the plant name, number, and address;

- (5) Date of the loss or destruction (or, if not known, date of discovery), the cause or nature thereof, and all the facts relative thereto;
- (6) Name of the carrier, where a loss in transit is involved;
- (7) The name and address of the consignee, in the case of spirits withdrawn without payment of tax which are lost before being used for research, development or testing;
- (8) If lost by theft, facts establishing that the loss did not occur as the result of any negligence, connivance, collusion or fraud on the part of the proprietor of the plant, owner, consignor, consignee, bailee, or carrier, or the employees or agents of any of them;
- (9) In the case of a loss by theft, whether the claimant is indemnified or recompensed for the spirits or wines lost and if so, the amount and nature of indemnity or recompense and the actual value of the spirits or wines, less the tax.

(b) Claims for abatement, credit or refund.

Claims for abatement of an assessment, or for credit or refund of tax which has been paid or determined, for spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines lost or destroyed in bond shall be filed with the regional director (compliance). The claims shall set forth the information required under paragraph (a) of this section and, in addition, shall set forth--

- (1) The date of assessment or payment (or of tax determination, if the tax has not been assessed or paid) of the tax for which abatement, credit or refund is claimed, and
- (2) The name, plant number, and the address of the plant where the tax was determined, paid, or assessed (or name, address and capacity of any other person who paid or was assessed the tax, if the tax was not paid by or assessed against a proprietor).

(c) Supporting document.

- (1) Claims under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section shall be supported (whenever possible) by affidavits of persons having personal knowledge of the loss or destruction. For claims on spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines lost while being transferred by carrier, the claim shall be supported by a copy of the bill of lading.
- (2) For claims pertaining to losses of spirits withdrawn without payment of tax and lost prior to being used for research, development or testing, the claim shall be supported by a copy of the proprietor's sample record prescribed in subpart W of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended, 1381, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008, 5370))

§19.42 Claims on spirits returned to bonded premises.

(a) Claims for credit or refund of tax on spirits which have been withdrawn from bonded premises on payment or determination of tax and which are returned under

26 U.S.C. 5215 shall be filed with the regional director (compliance) and shall set forth the following:

- (1) Quantity of spirits so returned;
- (2) Amount of tax for which the claim is filed;
- (3) Name, address, and plant number of the plant to which the spirits were returned and the date of the return;
- (4) The purpose for which returned; and
- (5) The serial number of the gauge record on which the spirits were returned.
- (b) If the alcoholic content of the spirits contain at least 92 percent Puerto Rican or Virgin Islands rum, or if the spirits contain rum imported from any area other than Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, the claim shall show:
 - (1) Proof gallons of the finished product derived from Puerto Rican or Virgin Islands spirits, or derived from rum imported from any other area; and
 - (2) The amount of tax imposed by 26 U.S.C. 7652 or 26 U.S.C. 5001, determined at the time of withdrawal from bond, on the Puerto Rican or Virgin Islands spirits, or on the rum imported from any other area, contained in the product.
- (c) Claims for credit or refund of tax on spirits containing eligible wine or eligible flavors must set forth the date and serial number of the record of tax determination and the effective tax rate at which the tax was paid or determined. If this information is not provided, the amount of tax claimed will be based on the lowest effective tax rate applied to the product.
- (d) Claims for credit or refund of tax shall be filed by the proprietor of the plant to which the spirits were returned within six months of the date of the return. No interest is allowed on any claims for refund or credit.

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-233, 51 FR 28077, Aug. 5, 1986; T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18063, Apr. 30, 1990]

§19.43 Claims relating to spirits lost after tax determination.

Claims for abatement, credit, or refund of tax under this part, relating to losses of spirits occurring on bonded premises after tax determination but prior to physical removal from such premises, shall be prepared and filed as provided in, and contain the information called for under §19.41(b) and be supported by documents as provided under §19.41(c).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008))

§19.44 Execution of claims and supporting documents.

All claims filed under this part shall be filed on Form 2635 (5620.8). Claims for abatement, remission, credit, or refund shall (a) show the name, address, and capacity of the claimant, (b) be signed by the claimant or his duly authorized agent, and (c) be executed under the penalties of perjury as provided in §19.100. Supporting documents required by this part to be submitted with a claim shall be attached to the claim and shall be deemed to be a part thereof. The regional director (compliance) may require the submission of additional evidence in support of any claim filed under this part when

deemed necessary for proper action on the claim.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5215))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985; T.D. ATF-251, 52 FR 19313, May 22, 1987]

§19.45 Claims for credit of tax.

Claims for credit of tax, as provided in this part, may be filed after determination of the tax whether or not the tax has been paid. The claimant may not anticipate allowance of a credit or make an adjusting entry in a tax return pending action on the claim.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5215))

§19.46 Adjustments for credited tax.

When notification of allowance of credit is received from the regional director (compliance), including notification of credit for tax on spirits exported with benefit of drawback as provided in 27 CFR part 252, the claimant shall make an adjusting entry and explanatory statement (specifically identifying the notification of allowance of credit) in the next excise tax return (or returns) to the extent necessary to exhaust the credit.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended, 1336, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008, 5062))

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Subpart Ca--Special (Occupational) Taxes

SOURCE: T.D. ATF-271, 53 FR 17541, May 17, 1988, unless otherwise noted.

§19.49 Liability for special tax.

(a) Proprietor of distilled spirits plant--

- (1) *General*. Except as provided in §19.906, every proprietor of a distilled spirits plant shall pay a special (occupational) tax at a rate specified by §19.50. The tax shall be paid on or before the date of commencing business as a distilled spirits plant proprietor, and thereafter every year on or before July 1. On commencing business, the tax shall be computed from the first day of the month in which liability is incurred, through the following June 30. Thereafter, the tax shall be computed for the entire year (July 1 through June 30).
- (2) *Transition rule*. For purposes of paragraph (a)(1) of this section, a proprietor engaged in distilled spirits plant operations on January 1, 1988, shall be treated as having commenced business on that date. The special tax imposed by this transition rule shall cover the period January 1, 1988, through June 30, 1988, and shall be paid on or before April 1, 1988.

(b) *Liquor Dealer--*

(1) *General*. A proprietor of a distilled spirits plant shall be subject to or exempt from a liquor dealer's special (occupational) tax as provided in part 194 of this chapter.

(2) Exemption for sales by a proprietor of a distilled spirits plant. A proprietor of a distilled spirits plant is not required to pay special tax as a wholesale or retail dealer in liquor because of sales, at the principal place of business or at the distilled spirits plant, of liquor which at the time of sale is stored at the distilled spirits plant or which had been removed and stored in a taxpaid storeroom operated in connection with the distilled spirits plant. Each proprietor of a distilled spirits plant shall have only one exemption from dealer's special tax for each distilled spirits plant. The distiller may designate, in writing to the regional director (compliance), that the principal place of business will be exempt from dealer's special tax; otherwise, the exemption will apply to the distilled spirits plant.

(c) Each place of business taxable--

- (1) *General.* A proprietor of a distilled spirits plant incurs special tax liability at each place of business in which an occupation subject to special tax is conducted. A place of business means the entire office, plant or area of the business in any one location under the same proprietorship. Passageways, streets, highways, rail crossings, waterways, or partititions dividing the premises are not sufficient separation to require additional special tax, if the divisions of the premises are otherwise contiguous.
- (2) Exception for contiguous areas. A proprietor of a distilled spirits plant does not incur additional special tax liability for sales of liquor made at a location other than on distilled spirits plant premises described on the notice of registration, Form 5110.41, if the location where such sales are made is contiguous to the distilled spirits plant premises in the manner described in paragraph (c)(1) of this section.

(26 U.S.C. 5081, 5111, 5113, 5142, 5143)

[T.D. ATF-271, 53 FR 17541, May 17, 1988, as amended by T.D. ATF-285, 54 FR 12609, Mar. 28, 1989]

§19.50 Rates of special tax.

(a) General.

Title 26 U.S.C. 5081(a)(1) imposes a special tax of \$1,000 per year on every proprietor of a distilled spirits plant.

(b) *Reduced rate for small proprietors.*

Title 26 U.S.C. 5081(b) provides for a reduced rate of \$500 per year with respect to any distilled spirits plant proprietor whose gross receipts (for the most recent taxable year ending before the first day of the taxable period to which the special tax imposed by §19.49 relates) are less than \$500,000. The "taxable year" to be used for determining gross receipts is the taxpayer's income tax year. All gross receipts of the taxpayer shall be included, not just the gross receipts of the business subject to special tax. Proprietors of new businesses that have not yet begun a taxable year, as well as proprietors of existing businesses that have not yet ended a taxable year, who commence a new activity subject to special tax, qualify for the reduced special (occupational) tax rate, unless the business is a member of a "controlled group"; in that case, the rules of paragraph (c) of this section shall apply.

(c) Controlled group.

All persons treated as one taxpayer under 26 U.S.C. 5061(e)(3) shall be treated as one taxpayer for the purpose of determining gross receipts under paragraph (b) of this section. "Controlled group" means a controlled group of corporations, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 1563 and implementing regulations in 26 CFR 1.1563-1 through 1.1563-4, except that the words "at least 80 percent" shall be replaced by the words "more than 50 percent" in each place they appear in subsection (a) of 26 U.S.C. 1563, as well as in the implementing regulations. Also, the rules for a "controlled group of corporations" apply in a similar fashion to groups which include partnerships and/or sole proprietorships. If one entity maintains more than 50% control over a group consisting of corporations and one, or more, partnerships and/or sole proprietorships, all of the members of the controlled group are one taxpayer for the purpose of this section.

(d) *Short taxable year.*

Gross receipts for any taxable year of less than 12 months shall be annualized by multiplying the gross receipts for the short period by 12 and dividing the result by the number of months in the short period, as required by 26 U.S.C. 448(c)(3).

(e) Returns and allowances.

Gross receipts for any taxable year shall be reduced by returns and allowances made during that year under 26 U.S.C. 448(c)(3).

(26 U.S.C. 448, 5061, 5081)

§19.51 Special tax returns.

(a) General.

Special tax shall be paid by return. The prescribed return is ATF Form 5630.5, Special Tax Registration and Return. Special tax returns, with payment of tax, shall be filed with ATF in accordance with instructions on the form.

(b) Preparation of ATF Form 5630.5.

All of the information called for on Form 5630.5 shall be provided, including:

- (1) The true name of the taxpayer.
- (2) The trade name(s) (if any) of the business(es) subject to special tax.
- (3) The employer identification number (see §19.52).
- (4) The exact location of the place of business, by name and number of building or street, or if these do not exist, by some description in addition to the post office address. In the case of one return for two or more locations, the address to be shown shall be the taxpayer's principal place of business (or principal office, in the case of a corporate taxpayer).
- (5) The class(es) of special tax to which the taxpayer is subject.
- (6) Ownership and control information: that is, the name, position, and residence address of every owner of the business and of every person having power to control its management and policies with respect to the activity subject to special

tax. "Owner of the business" shall include every partner, if the taxpayer is a partnership, and every person owning 10% or more of its stock, if the taxpayer is a corporation. However, the ownership and control information required by this paragraph need not be stated if the same information has been previously provided to ATF in connection with a permit application, and if the information previously provided is still current.

(c) Multiple locations and/or classes of tax.

A taxpayer subject to special tax for the same period at more than one location or for more than one class of tax shall--

- (1) File one special tax return, ATF Form 5630.5, with payment of tax, to cover all such locations and classes of tax; and
- (2) Prepare, in duplicate, a list identified with the taxpayer's name, address (as shown on ATF Form 5630.5), employer identification number, and period covered by the return. The list shall show, by States, the name, address, and tax class of each location for which special tax is being paid. The original of the list shall be filed with ATF in accordance with instructions on the return, and the copy shall be retained at the taxpayer's principal place of business (or principal office, in the case of a corporate taxpayer) for the period specified in §19.723(c).

(d) Signing of ATF Forms 5630.5--

- (1) *Ordinary returns*. The return of an individual proprietor shall be signed by the individual. The return of a partnership shall be signed by a general partner. The return of a corporation shall be signed by any officer. In each case, the person signing the return shall designate his or her capacity as "individual owner," "member of firm," or, in the case of a corporation, the title of the officer.
- (2) *Fiduciaries*. Receivers, trustees, assignees, executors, administrators, and other legal representatives who continue the business of a bankrupt, insolvent, deceased person, etc., shall indicate the fiduciary capacity in which they act.
- (3) Agent or attorney in fact. If a return is signed by an agent or attorney in fact, the signature shall be preceded by the name of the principal and followed by the title of the agent or attorney in fact. A return signed by a person as agent will not be accepted unless there is filed, with the ATF office with which the return is required to be filed, a power of attorney authorizing the agent to perform the act.
- (4) *Perjury statement*. ATF Forms 5630.5 shall contain or be verified by a written declaration that the return has been executed under the penalties of perjury.

(26 U.S.C. 6061, 6065, 6151, 7011)

§19.52 Employer identification number.

(a) Requirement.

The employer identification number (defined in 26 CFR 301.7701-12) of the taxpayer who has been assigned such a number shall be shown on each special tax return, including amended returns, filed under this subpart. Failure of the taxpayer to include the employer identification number may result in the imposition of the penalty

specified in §70.113 of this chapter.

(b) Application for employer identification number.

Each taxpayer who files a special tax return, who has not already been assigned an employer identification number, shall file IRS Form SS-4 to apply for one. The taxpayer shall apply for and be assigned only one employer identification number, regardless of the number of places of business for which the taxpayer is required to file a special tax return. The employer identification number shall be applied for no later than 7 days after the filing of the taxpayer's first special tax return. IRS Form SS-4 may be obtained from the director of an IRS service center or from any IRS district director.

(c) Preparation and filing of IRS Form SS-4.

The taxpayer shall prepare and file IRS Form SS-4, together with any supplementary statement, in accordance with the instructions on the form or issued in respect to it.

(26 U.S.C. 6109)

[T.D. ATF-271, 53 FR 17541, May 17, 1988, as amended by T.D. ATF-301, 55 FR 47605, Nov. 14, 1990]

Special Tax Stamps

§19.53 Issuance, distribution, and examination of special tax stamps.

(a) Issuance of special tax stamps.

Upon filing a properly executed return on ATF Form 5630.5, together with the full remittance, the taxpayer will be issued an appropriately designated special tax stamp. If the return covers multiple locations, the taxpayer will be issued one appropriately designated stamp for each location listed on the attachment required by §19.51(c), but showing, as to name and address, only the name of the taxpayer and the address of the taxpayer's principal place of business (or principal office in the case of a corporate taxpayer).

(b) Distribution of special tax stamps for multiple locations.

On receipt of the special tax stamps, the taxpayer shall verify that there is one stamp for each location listed on the attachment to ATF Form 5630.5. The taxpayer shall designate one stamp for each location and shall type on each stamp the address of the business conducted at the location for which that stamp is designated. The taxpayer shall then forward each stamp to the place of business designated on the stamp.

(c) Examination of special tax stamps.

All stamps denoting payment of special tax shall be kept available for inspection by ATF officers, at the location for which designated, during business hours.

(26 U.S.C. 5146, 6806)

§19.54 Changes in special tax stamps.

(a) Change in name.

If there is a change in the corporate or firm name, or in the trade name, as shown on Form 5630.5, the proprietor shall file an amended special tax return as soon as practicable after the change, covering the new corporate or firm name, or trade name. No new special tax is required to be paid. The proprietor shall attach the special tax stamp for endorsement of the change in name.

(b) Change in proprietorship--

- (1) *General*. If there is a change in the proprietorship of a distilled spirits plant, the successor shall pay a new special tax and obtain the required special tax stamps.
- (2) Exemption for certain successors. Persons having the right of succession provided for in paragraph (c) of this section may carry on the business for the remainder of the period for which the special tax was paid, without paying a new special tax, if within 30 days after the date on which the successor begins to carry on the business, the successor files a special tax return on ATF Form 5630.5 with ATF, which shows the basis of succession. A person who is a successor to a business for which special tax has been paid and who fails to register the succession is liable for special tax computed from the first day of the calendar month in which he or she began to carry on the business.

(c) Persons having right of succession.

Under the conditions indicated in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, the right of succession will pass to certain persons in the following cases:

- (1) *Death*. The widowed spouse or child, or executor, administrator, or other legal representative of the taxpayer;
- (2) Succession of spouse. A husband or wife succeeding to the business of his or her spouse (living);
- (3) *Insolvency*. A receiver or trustee in bankruptcy, or an assignee for benefit of creditors:
- (4) Withdrawal from firm. The partner or partners remaining after death or withdrawal of a member.

(d) *Change in location*.

If there is a change in location of a taxable place of business, the proprietor shall, within 30 days after the change, file with ATF an amended special tax return covering the new location. The proprietor shall attach the special tax stamp or stamps, for endorsement of the change in location. No new special tax is required to be paid. However, if the proprietor does not file the amended return within 30 days, the proprietor is required to pay a new special tax and obtain a new special tax stamp.

(26 U.S.C. 5143, 7011)

Subpart D--Administrative and Miscellaneous Provisions

Activities Not Subject to This Part

§19.57 Recovery and reuse of denatured spirits in manufacturing processes.

The following persons are not, by reason of the activities listed below, subject to the provisions of this part, but they shall comply with the provisions of part 20 of this chapter relating to the use and recovery of spirits or denatured spirits:

- (a) Manufacturers who use denatured spirits, or articles or substances containing denatured spirits, in a process wherein any part or all of the spirits, including denatured spirits, are recovered.
- (b) Manufacturers who use denatured spirits in the production of chemicals which do not contain spirits but which are used on the permit premises in the manufacture of other chemicals resulting in spirits as a by-product.
- (c) Manufacturers who use chemicals or substances which do not contain spirits or denatured spirits (but which were manufactured with specially denatured spirits) in a process resulting in spirits as a by-product.

(Sec 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1372, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5273))

[T.D. ATF-379, 61 FR 31425, June 20, 1996]

§19.58 Use of taxpaid distilled spirits to manufacture products unfit for beverage use.

(a) General.

Apothecaries, pharmacists, and manufacturers are not required to qualify as processors under 26 U.S.C. 5171 before manufacturing or compounding the following products, if the tax has been paid or determined on all of the distilled spirits contained therein:

- (1) Medicines, medicinal preparations, food products, flavors, flavoring extracts, and perfume, conforming to the standards for approval of nonbeverage drawback products found in §§17.131-17.137 of this chapter, whether or not drawback is actually claimed on those products. Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, a formula need not be submitted if drawback is not desired.
- (2) Patented, patent, and proprietary medicines that are unfit for use for beverage purposes.
- (3) Toilet, medicinal, and antiseptic preparations and solutions that are unfit for use for beverage purposes.
- (4) Laboratory reagents, stains, and dyes that are unfit for use for beverage purposes.
- (5) Flavoring extracts, syrups, and concentrates that are unfit for use for beverage purposes.

(b) Exceptions; products classed as beverages.

Products specified under part 17 of this chapter as being fit for beverage use are alcoholic beverages. Bitters, patent medicines, and similar alcoholic preparations

which are fit for beverage purposes, although held out as having certain medicinal properties, are also alcoholic beverages. Such products are required to be manufactured on the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant, and are subject to the provisions of this part.

(c) Formulas and samples; when required.

On request of the Director, or when in doubt as to the classification of a product, the manufacturer shall submit to the Director the formula for and a sample of the product for examination to verify the manufacturer's claim of exemption from qualification requirements.

(d) Change of formula; when required.

If the regional director (compliance) finds at any time that any product manufactured under paragraph (a) of this section is being used for beverage purposes, or for mixing with beverage spirits other than by a processor, he or she shall notify the manufacturer to desist from manufacturing the product until the formula is changed to make the product not susceptible of beverage use and the change is approved by the Director. (However, the provisions of this paragraph shall not prohibit such products, which are unfit for beverage use, from being used in small quantities for flavoring drinks at the time of serving for immediate consumption.) Where, pursuant to notice, the manufacturer does not desist, or the formula is not so modified as to make the product unsusceptible of beverage use, the manufacturer shall immediately qualify as a processor.

(Sec. 805, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275, 278 (26 U.S.C. 5002, 5171))

[T.D. ATF-379, 61 FR 31425, June 20, 1996]

Authorities of the Director

§19.61 Form prescribed.

- (a) The Director is authorized to prescribe all forms required by this part. All of the information required by each form shall be furnished, as indicated by the headings on the form and the instructions thereon or issued in respect thereto, and as required by this part.
- (b) Requests for forms should be mailed to the ATF Distribution Center, 7943 Angus Court, Springfield, Virginia 22153.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. 372, 61 FR 20724, May 8, 1996]

§19.62 Alternate methods or procedures.

The proprietor, on specific approval by the Director as provided in this paragraph, may use an alternate method or procedure in lieu of a method or procedure specifically prescribed in this part. The Director may approve an alternate method or procedure, subject to stated conditions, when he finds that--

- (a) Good cause has been shown for the use of the alternate method or procedure;
- (b) The alternate method or procedure is within the purpose of, and consistent with

the effect intended by, the specifically prescibed method or procedure, and affords equivalent security to the revenue; and

(c) The alternate method or procedure will not be contrary to any provision of law, and will not result in an increase in cost to the Government or hinder the effective administration of this part. No alternate method or procedure relating to the giving of any bond or to the assessment, payment, or collection of tax, shall be authorized under this paragraph. Where the proprietor desires to employ an alternate method or procedure, he shall submit a written application to do so to the regional director (compliance), for transmittal to the Director. The application shall specifically describe the proposed alternate method or procedure, and shall set forth the reasons therefor. Alternate methods or procedures shall not be employed until the application has been approved by the Director. The proprietor shall, during the period of authorization of an alternate method or procedure, comply with the terms of the approved application. Authorization for any alternate method or procedure may be withdrawn whenever in the judgment of the Director the revenue is jeopardized or the effective administration of this part is hindered by the continuation of such authorization. As used in this paragraph, alternate methods or procedures shall include alternate construction or equipment.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended, 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178, 5552))

§19.63 Pilot operations.

The Director may waive any regulatory provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, and of the regulations in this part, for temporary pilot or experimental operations for the purpose of facilitating the development and testing of improved methods of governmental supervision (necessary for the protection of the revenue) over plants. For this purpose, the Director may, with the approval of the proprietor thereof, designate any plant for such operations. The provision of law and regulations waived and the period of time during which such waiver shall continue shall be stated in writing by the Director. The provisions of this section shall not be construed as authority to waive the filing of any bond or the payment of any tax, including special (occupational) tax, provided for in 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5554))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-271 53 FR 17543, May 17, 1988]

§19.65 Experimental distilled spirits plants.

The Director may authorize the establishment and operation of experimental plants for specific and limited periods of time solely for experimentation in, or development of--

- (a) Sources of materials from which spirits may be produced;
- (b) Processes by which spirits may be produced or refined; or
- (c) Industrial uses of spirits.

The Director may waive any provision of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 (other than 26 U.S.C. 5312) and of this part (other than this section and §19.66) to the extent he deems necessary to effectuate the purposes of 26 U.S.C. 5312(b), except that he may not

waive the payment of any tax on spirits removed from such plant. A proprietor of an experimental distilled spirits plant established under this section is subject to special (occupational) tax under subpart Ca of this part and shall hold a separate special tax stamp to cover the experimental operations.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1375, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5312))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-271 53 FR 17543, May 17, 1988]

§19.66 Application to established experimental plants.

Any person desiring to establish an experimental plant shall make written application to the Director, through the regional director (compliance), and obtain the Director's approval of the proposed establishment. The applicant shall file with such application a bond in such form and penal sum as required by the Director. The application shall state the nature, extent, and purpose of the operations to be conducted and describe the operations and equipment, the location of the plant (including the proximity to other premises or operations subject to the provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51) and the security measures to be provided. The Director may require the submission of additional information as he deems necessary. The regional director (compliance) shall not permit operations until he has found that the plant conforms to the specifications set forth in the application, as approved, and the applicant has complied with provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, and this part not specifically waived by the Director.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1375, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5312))

§19.67 Spirits produced in industrial processes.

(a) Applicability.

- (1) Persons who produce spirits in industrial processes (including spirits produced as a by-product in connection with chemical or other processes) are distillers and are required to qualify and pay special (occupational) tax under provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 and this part.
- (2) The Director may, however, waive any provision of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, or of this part, with respect to the production of nonpotable chemical mixtures containing spirits, including any provision relating to qualification (except the payment of special (occupational) tax), if such mixtures are produced:
 - (i) For transfer to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant for completion of distilling; or
 - (ii) As a by-product which would require expensive and complex equipment for the recovery of spirits.
- (3) The waiver under the provisions of paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of this section is further conditioned that such mixture would:
 - (i) Be destroyed on the premises where produced; or
 - (ii) Contain a minimum quantity of spirits practicable with the procedure employed, not be subjected to further operations solely for the purification or recovery of spirits, and be found by the Director to be as nonpotable and at least as difficult with respect to recovery as completely denatured alcohol.

(b) *Application for waiver.*

- (1) When the producer of nonpotable mixtures desires to secure a waiver of designated provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, or this part, he shall file an application with the Director through the regional director (compliance).
- (2) The application shall include, as applicable--
 - (i) Name and address of producer;
 - (ii) Chemical composition and source of the nonpotable mixture;
 - (iii) Approximate percentages of chemicals and spirits in the mixture;
 - (iv) Method of operation proposed;
 - (v) Bonded premises where the mixture will be distilled; and
 - (vi) Other pertinent information required by the Director.

(c) Approval.

If the Director finds that the waiver of the requirements, or any of them, will not jeopardize the revenue and will not unduly hinder supervision of the operations, he may approve the application under such terms and conditions as he deems advisable and subject to the furnishing of any bond which he deems necessary.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-271 53 FR 17543, May 17, 1988]

§19.68 Other businesses.

The Director may authorize the carrying on of other businesses (not specifically prohibited by 26 U.S.C. 5601(a)(6)) on premises of plants if he finds that those businesses will not jeopardize the revenue, hinder the effective administration of this part, or be contrary to law. The authorization will designate the premises (i.e., bonded or general) on which such other business is to be conducted.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.70 Exemptions to meet the requirements of National defense.

The Director may temporarily exempt proprietors from any provision of the internal revenue laws or this part relating to spirits except those requiring payment of tax thereon whenever in his judgement it is expedient to do so to meet the requirements of the National defense.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1397, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5561))

§19.71 Experimental or research operations by scientific institutions and colleges of learning.

(a) General.

The Director may authorize any scientific university, college of learning, or institution of scientific research to produce, receive, blend, treat, test, and store spirits, without

payment of tax, for experimental or research use but not for consumption (other than organoleptic tests) or sale, in quantities as may be reasonably necessary for such purposes. The Director may waive any provision of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 (other than 26 U.S.C. 5312), or this part (other than this section) to the extent necessary to effect the purposes of 26 U.S.C. 5312(a), except he may not waive the payment of any tax on distilled spirits removed from any university, college, or institution. A person conducting experimental or research operations authorized under this section is subject to special (occupational) tax under subpart Ca of this part and shall hold a special tax stamp to cover the experimental or research operations.

(b) Qualification.

Any university, college, or institution desiring to conduct any of the experimental or research operations listed in the preceding paragraphs shall make written application, to the Director, through the regional director (compliance), and obtain the Director's approval of the proposed operations. The applicant shall file with the application a bond in a form and penal sum as required by the Director. The application shall state the nature, extent, and purpose of the operations to be conducted and describe the operations and equipment, the location at which operations will be conducted (including identification of the building or buildings, or the portions thereof to be used), and the security measures to be provided. The Director may require any additional information. Operations shall not be commenced until authorized by the Director.

(c) Records.

Reports concerning the operations need not be submitted unless required by the Director, but records of the quantities of spirits produced, received, and used each day shall be made and retained for inspection by ATF officers.

(d) *Discontinuance of operations*.

When operations authorized by the Director are discontinued, all remaining spirits shall be disposed of by destruction. When these spirits have been destroyed, notice of the discontinuance of operations shall be given to the regional director (compliance).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1375, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5312))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-271, 53 FR 17543, May 17, 1988]

Authorities of the Regional Director (Compliance)

§19.72 Other businesses.

Application to conduct at a distilled spirits plant a type of business other than that of a distiller, warehouseman, or processor may be approved by the regional director (compliance) if the Director has, as provided in §19.68, authorized the carrying on of a business of the type proposed, unless the regional director (compliance) finds that there are particular conditions in respect to the applicant's plant that would cause the carrying on of such business to be a jeopardy to the revenue or a hindrance to the effective administration of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.73 Emergency variations from requirements.

The regional director (compliance) may approve construction, equipment, and methods of operation other than as specified in this part, where he finds that an emergency exists and the proposed variations from the specified requirements are necessary, and the proposed variations--

- (a) Will afford the security and protection to the revenue intended by the prescribed specifications;
- (b) Will not hinder the effective administration of this part; and
- (c) Will not be contrary to any provisions of law.

Variations from requirements granted under this paragraph are conditioned on compliance with the procedures, conditions, and limitations with respect thereto set forth in the approval of the application. Failure to comply in good faith with such procedures, conditions, and limitations shall automatically terminate the authority for such variations and the proprietor thereupon shall fully comply with the prescribed requirements of regulations from which the variations were authorized. Authority for any variation may be withdrawn whenever in the judgement of the regional director (compliance) the revenue is jeopardized or the effective administration of this part is hindered by the continuation of such variation. Where the proprietor desires to employ such variation, he shall submit a written application to do so to the regional director (compliance). The application shall describe the proposed variations and set forth the reasons therefor. Variations shall not be employed until the application has been approved.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended, 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178, 5552))

§19.74 Disaster exemptions.

The regional director (compliance) may, whenever he finds that it is necessary or desirable, by reason of disaster, temporarily exempt the proprietor of any plant from any provisions of the internal revenue laws and this part relating to spirits, except those requiring the payment of tax on spirits, to the extent he may deem necessary or desirable.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1397, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5562))

§19.75 Assignment of officers and supervision of operations.

(a) General.

The regional director (compliance) may assign such number of ATF officers to distilled spirits plants and utilize controls (including the use of Government locks and seals) as necessary to maintain supervision of operations conducted at such plants. When supervision is necessary:

- (1) The regional director (compliance) may require a proprietor to delay any distilled spirits operation so that it may be conducted in the presence of an ATF officer; and
- (2) The regional director (compliance) may require the proprietor to submit a schedule of operations to an ATF officer.

(b) Hours of operation.

When operations at a distilled spirits plant are to be conducted in the presence of an ATF officer, such operations: (1) Shall not be conducted on Sunday unless specifically authorized by the regional director (compliance) in each instance on the showing of an emergency; and (2) Shall be conducted during an 8-hour period between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. unless, pursuant to the proprietor's application the regional director (compliance) authorizes the performance and supervision of operations during other hours. The regional director (compliance), in administering this provision, shall not restrict such operation or function to a greater extent than did the provisions of internal revenue law and regulations on June 30, 1959.

(c) Notification of supervision.

- (1) When it is determined that supervision of plant operations is necessary, the regional director (compliance) shall notify the proprietor of the extent of ATF supervision.
- (2) If supervision of a distilled spirits plant was not terminated as of December 31, 1979, notification is not necessary for continued supervision.

(d) Withdrawal of supervision.

The regional director (compliance) shall notify the proprietor when ATF supervision of plant operations is to be withdrawn.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5553); sec. 806, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 279 (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5202))

§19.76 Allowance of remission, abatement, credit or refund of tax.

The regional director (compliance) is authorized to allow claims for remission, abatement, credit, and refund of tax, filed under the provisions of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008))

§19.77 Installation of meters, tanks and other apparatus.

The regional director (compliance) is authorized to require the proprietor to install meters, tanks, pipes, or any other apparatus which the regional director (compliance) deems advisable for the purpose of protecting the revenue. Any proprietor refusing or neglecting to install such apparatus when so required shall not be permitted to conduct business.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5552))

§19.78 Approval of qualifying documents.

The regional director (compliance) is authorized to approve, except as otherwise provided in this part, all qualifying documents, including bonds and consents of surety, required by this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1394, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5551); sec. 805, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275, 276 (26 U.S.C. 5171, 5173))

§19.79 Discontinuance of storage facilities.

When the regional director (compliance) finds that any facilities for the storage of spirits on bonded premises are unsafe or unfit for use, or that spirits stored are subject to great loss or wastage, he may require the discontinuance of the use of such facilities and require the spirits contained therein to be transferred to such other storage facilities as he may designate. Such transfer shall be made at such time and under such supervision as the regional director (compliance) may require and the expense of the transfer shall be paid by the owner or the warehouseman of the spirits. Whenever the owner of such spirits or the warehouseman fails to make such transfer within the time prescribed or to pay the just and proper expense of such transfer, as ascertained and determined by the regional director (compliance), such spirits may be seized and sold in the same manner as goods sold on distraint for taxes, and the proceeds of such sale shall be applied to the payment of the taxes due thereon and the cost and expense of such sale and removal, and the balance shall be paid over to the owner of such spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5236))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

Authorities of ATF Officers

§19.81 Right of entry and examination.

Any ATF officer may at all times, as well by night as by day, enter any distilled spirits plant, or any other premises where distilled spirits operations are carried on, or structure or place used in connection therewith for storage or other purposes; to make examination of the materials, equipment, and facilities thereon; and make such gauges and inventories as he deems necessary. Whenever any ATF officer, having demanded admittance, and having declared his name and office, is not admitted into such premises by the proprietor or other person having charge thereof, he may at all times, use such force as is necessary for him to gain entry to such premises.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1357, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5203))

§19.82 Detention of containers.

Any ATF officer may detain any container containing, or supposed to contain, spirits when such officer has reason to believe that the tax imposed by law on such spirits has not been paid or determined as required by law or this part, or that such container is being removed in violation of law or this part. Every such container may be held by the ATF officer at a safe place until it shall be determined whether the property so detained is liable by law to be proceeded against for forfeiture. However, such summary detention shall not continue in any case longer than 72 hours without process of law or intervention of the regional director (compliance), unless the person in possession of the container immediately prior to its detention, in consideration of the container being kept on his premises during detention, executes a waiver of the 72-hours limitation on detention of the container.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1375 (26 U.S.C. 5311))

§19.83 Samples for the United States.

Any ATF officer is authorized to take samples of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, wines, or any other materials which may be added to such products for analysis, testing, or other determinations to ascertain whether there is compliance with the provisions of law

and regulations. When such samples are removed from the bonded premises, the ATF officer shall give the proprietor a receipt covering the sample so removed.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended, 1357, as amended, 1362, as amended, 1380, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5203, 5214, 5362))

§19.84 Gauging and measuring equipment.

All gauging and measuring equipment and means required by 27 CFR part 30 and this part to be furnished by the proprietor for the purpose of ascertaining the quantity, alcoholic content, specific gravity, and producing capacity of any materials, denaturants, mash, wort, or beer, or the quantity and alcoholic content of spirits, denatured spirits, or wines, shall be maintained by the proprietor in accurate and readily usable condition. Any ATF officer may disapprove the use of any equipment or means if such officer finds it would be insufficiently accurate and the proprietor shall promptly provide accurate equipment or means in lieu of the disapproved equipment or means.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1320, as amended, 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5006, 5204))

Entry and Examination of Premises

§19.86 Furnishing facilities and assistance.

On the demand of any ATF officer or agent, the proprietor shall furnish the necessary facilities and assistance to enable the officer or agent to gauge the spirits in any container or to examine any apparatus, equipment, containers, or materials on the distilled spirits plant premises. The proprietor shall also, on demand of an ATF officer or agent, open all doors, and open for examination all containers on the plant premises. The proprietor shall, on request of an ATF officer, furnish the exact locations (including the number of containers at each location) of all packages and similar portable approved containers within a given lot, and locations (i.e., buildings, rooms or areas) where spirits in cases are stored.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1357, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5203); sec. 806, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 279 (26 U.S.C. 5202))

Gauging of Spirits, Wines or Alcoholic Flavoring Materials

§19.91 Gauging.

(a) Gauging of spirits and wine.

Gauges shall be made by the proprietor. However, the regional director (compliance) may require that such gauges be made in the presence of and be verified by an ATF officer. Gauges of spirits, denatured spirits, or wine shall be made in accordance with 27 CFR part 30 and as provided in this part. However, the gauge for wine that is to be transferred to a bonded wine cellar shall be recorded by kind and percent of alcohol by volume. When bulk spirits, denatured spirits, or wines are to be volumetrically measured, the measurement shall be in a tank or bulk conveyance for which a calibration chart is provided, by a meter approved under §19.277, or, when approved by the Director, by other devices or methods. Calibration charts shall be certified as accurate by persons qualified to calibrate tanks or bulk conveyances. When spirits in bottles are gauged, the gauge may be established on the basis of legible case markings and label information, if (1) the bottles are full, and (2) there is no evidence that the bottles have been tampered with.

(b) Gauging of alcoholic flavoring materials.

Each alcoholic flavoring material shall be gauged when dumped, except that when received from a manufacturer in a closed nonporous bottle, can, or package such material may be gauged by using the proof derived from the container label or a related statement of the proof from the manufacturer. When proof is determined from a label or manufacturer's statement, the proprietor shall periodically test a sufficient number of samples of the alcoholic flavoring material to verify the accuracy of the proof so determined and shall record the results of those tests on the gauge record. The regional director (compliance) may require that all alcoholic flavoring materials be gauged by the methods provided in 27 CFR part 30.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended, 1396, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204, 5559))

§19.92 When gauges are required.

(a) *Initial proof.*

Except for a gauge required by §19.383 or §19.517 or in any case where the proof changes as a result of a storage or processing operation, the initial determination of proof for distilled spirits, wine, or eligible flavors may be used whenever a subsequent gauge is required by this part to be made at the same plant.

(b) Required gauges.

Spirits, wine and alcoholic flavoring materials shall be gauged whenever required by this part. Such gauges include:

- (1) Entered for deposit,
- (2) Filled into packages from storage tanks,
- (3) Transferred or received in bond,
- (4) Transferred between operational accounts,
- (5) Mixed in the manufacture of a distilled spirits product,
- (6) Reduced in proof prior to commencement of bottling,
- (7) Destroyed,
- (8) Removed or withdrawn from bond,
- (9) Returned to bond, or
- (10) As otherwise required by the regional director (compliance).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended, 1396, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204, 5559))

[T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9160, Mar. 6, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18063, Apr. 30, 1990]

§19.93 Quantity determination of spirits in bond.

Where bulk spirits in bond are gauged for determination of tax, or are gauged in packages, the quantity shall be determined by weight pursuant to the provisions of 27 CFR part 30. In all other instances where spirits are gauged in bond, gauged for

denaturation, or are gauged for transfer in bond or for withdrawal from bond free of tax or without payment of tax, the quantity may be determined by weight or volume. Volumetric determinations of quantity may be made by meters approved under §19.277.

(Sec, 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1396, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5559))

Securing of Conveyances Used for Transporting Spirits

§19.96 Securing of conveyances.

(a) Construction for securing.

If a conveyance is required by this part to be secured, the conveyance shall be constructed in such manner that all openings, including valves (if any) on bulk conveyances, may be closed and secured.

(b) Approval of securing devices.

- (1) All seals, locks, or other devices that are required to be used on conveyances in which spirits are transferred in bond, or withdrawn free of tax or without payment of tax, shall be approved by the Director prior to use. However, cap seals, at least ¾ of an inch in diameter, and ball-strap-type (railroad) seals with a strap at least \5/16\ of an inch wide may be used on conveyances without prior approval of the Director. Such seals shall:
 - (i) Be made of durable materials,
 - (ii) Bear the plant registration number or name, or readily recognizable abbreviation of the name of the proprietor,
 - (iii) Bear a serial number including letter prefixes or suffixes, that will not be repeated within a six month period,
 - (iv) Be durably marked in readily legible form, and
 - (v) Be made so that their being opened will leave evidence thereof.
- (2) Seals, locks or other devices that are used on conveyances to transport taxpaid spirits, or denatured spirits transferred in bond or withdrawn free of tax, need not be approved.

(c) Furnishing and affixing securing devices.

- (1) Seals, locks, or other devices for use on conveyances shall be furnished and affixed by the proprietor.
- (2) The regional director (compliance) may, if he deems necessary, require conveyances in which spirits are: (i) transferred in bond, (ii) withdrawn free of tax, or (iii) withdrawn without payment of tax, to be secured by seals, locks, or other devices approved and furnished by the Bureau and affixed by an ATF officer.
- (3) Seals, locks, or other devices shall be affixed:
 - (i) As soon as the conveyance is loaded for shipment, and
 - (ii) In such a manner that access to the contents of the conveyance cannot be

gained without showing evidence of tampering.

- (4) The openings of bulk conveyances may be secured with permanent seals, locks, or other devices.
- (d) Numbers and marks on proprietor's securing devices.

Seals, locks, or other devices that are furnished by the proprietor for use on conveyances shall be serially numbered. Letter abbreviations of the name of a proprietor may not be used unless approved by the Director pursuant to written application.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended 1410, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5682))

Conveyance of Spirits or Wines on Plant Premises

§19.97 Taxpaid spirits or wines on bonded premises.

Spirits or wines on which the tax has been paid or determined may be conveyed within a plant across bonded premises, but such spirits or wines shall not be stored or allowed to remain on the bonded premises and shall be kept separate and apart from spirits or wines on which the tax has not been paid or determined. However, spirits returned to bonded premises in accordance with the provisions of 26 U.S.C. 5215 shall be allowed to remain on the bonded premises.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1404, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5612))

§19.98 Conveyance of untaxpaid spirits or wines within a distilled spirits plant.

Untaxpaid spirits or wines may be conveyed between different portions of the bonded premises of the same distilled spirits plant, across any other premises of such plant; or (by uninterrupted transportation) over any public thoroughfare; or (by uninterrupted transportation) over a private roadway if the owner, or lessee, of the roadway agrees, in writing, to allow ATF officers access to the roadway to perform their necessary duties. The conveyance of spirits or wines as authorized in this section is subject to the following conditions:

- (a) The spirits or wines are not stored or allowed to remain on any premises of such plant other than bonded premises,
- (b) The spirits or wines are kept completely separate and apart from spirits on which the tax has been paid or determined,
- (c) A description of the means and route of the conveyance and of the portions of the distilled spirits plant between which spirits or wines will be conveyed, and a copy of any agreement furnished by the owner, or lessee, of a private roadway have been submitted to and approved by the regional director (compliance), and
- (d) Consent of surety on the operations or unit bond has been furnished by the proprietor, on Form 1533, extending the terms of the bond to cover conveyance of the spirits or wines.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1398, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5601))

§19.99 Spirits in customs custody.

Spirits in customs custody may be conveyed, when necessary, across distilled spirits plant premises if:

- (a) The spirits are not stored or allowed to remain on the premises of the distilled spirits plant,
- (b) The spirits are kept separate and apart from other spirits on the premises and are moved expeditiously,
- (c) A description of the means and route of conveyance of the spirits across the plant premises has been submitted to and approved by the regional director (compliance), and
- (d) Consent of surety on the operations or unit bond has been furnished by the proprietor, on Form 1533, extending the terms of the bond to cover the conveyance of the spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Penalties of Perjury

§19.100 Execution under penalties of perjury.

(a) Declaration.

When a return, claim, form, or other document called for under this part, or in the instructions thereon, is required to be executed under penalties of perjury, it shall contain the following declaration:

I declare under the penalties of perjury that this (insert type of document, such as report, or claim), including supporting documents, has been examined by me and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is true, correct, and complete.

(b) Signing.

The declaration shall bear the signature and title of the proprietor or other duly authorized person.

(Act of August 16, 1954, Pub. L. 591--Chapter 736, 68A Stat. 749 (26 U.S.C. 6065))

Subpart E--[Reserved]

Subpart F--Location and Use

§19.131 Restrictions as to locations.

Distilled spirits plants shall not be located in any dwelling house, or in any shed, yard, or enclosure connected with any dwelling house, or on board any vessel or boat, or on premises where beer or wine is produced, or liquors of any description are retailed, or (except as provided in §19.133) on premises where any other business is conducted.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.132 Continuity of premises.

The continuity of the distilled spirits plant shall be unbroken except for separations by public waterways, thoroughfares, or carrier rights-of-way. However, where there are other separations of the plant premises and all parts of the plant premises are in the same general location, the Director may approve the registration of the distilled spirits plant if he finds no jeopardy to the revenue.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.133 Use of distilled spirits plant premises.

(a) General.

No business or operation shall be conducted on the premises of a distilled spirits plant other than those authorized in accordance with subpart D of this part or those authorized to be carried on or conducted by the notice of registration.

(b) Bonded premises.

Bonded premises shall be used exclusively for distilled spirits operations. Spirits in packages, cases, or other portable containers on bonded premises shall be stored in a room or building. However, upon application by the proprietor, the regional director (compliance) may approve an alternative method of storage of such spirits if such method is suitable for the protection of the revenue and the effective administration of this part.

(c) General premises.

General premises are any portion of the distilled spirits plant described in the notice of registration other than bonded premises. General premises may not be used for any of the operations required to be conducted on bonded premises. Business offices and service facilities may be included as a part of general premises.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.134 Bonded warehouses not on premises qualified for production of spirits.

(a) Criteria for establishment.

- (1) A bonded warehouse, other than one established on the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant qualified for production of spirits, or contiguous to a distillery operated by the warehouseman, may be established if the need therefor is clearly shown and the prospective needs of the warehouseman will be for the bonded storage of not less than 250,000 wine gallons of bulk distilled spirits.
- (2) When commercial bonded warehouses are not available in an area and it is impractical to have a warehouse of 250,000 wine gallon capacity, the regional director (compliance) may approve the establishment of a warehouse without regard to the minimum storage requirements.

(b) *Application*.

(1) The application for registration to establish a warehouse shall be accompanied by a separate written application setting forth the necessity for the establishment of the warehouse.

- (2) The application shall include:
 - (i) Approximate quantity of bulk spirits that will be received, stored, and withdrawn annually;
 - (ii) Probable number of depositors of spirits;
 - (iii) Approximate number of persons to be served from the warehouse; and
 - (iv) Data or documents indicating the prospective volume of business or need for establishment.

(c) Approval.

- (1) The regional director (compliance) may approve the application for registration if the proposed location of the warehouse will not be a jeopardy to the revenue and there is satisfactory evidence of the need for establishing a warehouse.
- (2) The regional director (compliance) may also limit the type of operation to be conducted at a bonded warehouse established with less than the minimum storage requirements.

(d) Special condition.

The proprietor of a warehouse established for a limited type of operation shall not, in any manner, expand or change his operation to include any other type of operations until, pursuant to written application to make such change, he has obtained the approval of the regional director (compliance).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178); sec. 805a, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

Subpart G--Qualification of Distilled Spirits Plants

§19.151 General requirements for registration.

(a) Operations.

Except as otherwise provided by law, operations as a distiller, warehouseman, or processor may be conducted only on the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant by a person qualified to carry out such operations under this subpart.

(b) Establishment.

A distilled spirits plant may be established only by a person who intends to conduct at such plant operations as a distiller, as a warehouseman, or as both.

(c) Registration.

Each person shall, before commencing operations at a distilled spirits plant, make application for and receive notice of registration of his plant with respect to such operations as provided in this part. Application for registration shall be made on Form 5110.41 to the regional director (compliance). Each application shall be executed under penalties of perjury, and all written statements, affidavits, and other documents

submitted in support of the application or incorporated by reference shall be deemed to be a part thereof. The regional director (compliance) may, in any instance where the outstanding notice of registration is inadequate or incorrect in any respect, require the filing of an application on Form 5110.41 to amend the notice of registration, specifying the respects in which amendment is required. Within 60 days after the receipt of such notice, the proprietor shall file such application.

(Sec. 201. Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172); sec. 805(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

§19.152 Data for application for registration.

Application on Form 5110.41 shall include the following information:

- (a) Serial number and statement of purpose for which filed.
- (b) Name and principal business address of the applicant, and the location of the distilled spirits plant if different from the business address.
- (c) Statement of the type of business organization and of the persons interested in the business, supported by the items of information listed in §19.167.
- (d) Statement of the operations to be conducted.
- (e) In respect of the plant to which the Form 5110.41 relates, a list of applicant's operating and basic permits, and of the operations, withdrawal, or unit bonds (including those filed with the application) with the name of the surety or sureties for each bond.
- (f) List of the offices, the incumbents of which are authorized by the articles of incorporation or the board of directors to act on behalf of the proprietor or to sign the proprietor's name.
- (g) Description of the plant (see §19.168).
- (h) List of major equipment (see §19.166).
- (i) Statement of maximum proof gallons that will be produced in the distillery during a period of 15 days, stored on bonded premises, and in transit to the bonded premises. (Not required if the operations or unit bond is in the maximum sum.)
- (j) With respect to any distilled spirits plant which was not qualified to operate before June 1, 1985 a certified statement that relevant and material accounting records (including regular books of account and such other records and data as may be necessary to support such records) will be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles which enable the proprietor to file a correct distilled spirits tax return or determine whether he is liable for distilled spirits taxes.
- (k) Statement of physical security measures employed (see §19.153).
- (I) As applicable, the following:
 - (1) With respect to the operations of a distiller:

- (i) Statement of daily producing capacity in proof gallons.
- (ii) Statement of production procedure (see §19.170).
- (iii) Statement whether spirits will be redistilled.
- (2) With respect to the operations of a warehouseman:
 - (i) Description of the system of storage.
 - (ii) Statement of bulk storage capacity in wine gallons.
- (3) With respect to the operations of a processor:
 - (i) Statement whether bottling operations will be conducted.
 - (ii) Statement whether denaturing operations will be conducted.
 - (iii) Statement whether articles will be manufactured.
 - (iv) Statement whether spirits will be redistilled.
 - (v) Description of the system of storage of spirits bottled and cased or otherwise packaged or placed in approved containers for removal from bonded premises.
- (4) If any other business is to be conducted on the distilled spirits plant premises, as provided by subpart D of this part, a description of the business, a list of the buildings and/or equipment to be used, and a statement as to the relationship, if any, of the business to distilled spirits operations at the plant.

If any of the information required by paragraph (c) of this section is on file with the regional director (compliance), that information, if accurate and complete, may by incorporation by reference, be made part of the application. The applicant shall, when required by the regional director (compliance), furnish as a part of the application for registration, additional information as may be necessary to determine whether the application for registration should be approved.

(68 A Stat. 731, as amended (26 U.S.C. 6001); sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172); sec. 805(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

§19.153 Statement of physical security.

(a) *Content*.

The statement of security shall include:

- (1) A general description of the physical security at the distilled spirits plant, including methods utilized to secure buildings and outdoor tanks;
- (2) A statement whether guard personnel are employed;
- (3) A statement whether any electronic or mechanical alarm system is used;
- (4) A statement certifying that locks used meet the specifications provided in paragraph (e) of §19.281;

(5) A list of persons by position or title having responsibility for the custody of and access to keys for approved locks used at the distilled spirits plant.

(b) *Changes*.

The proprietor shall file an application for amended registration with the regional director (compliance) for any change in personnel or procedures contained in the statement of security.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172); sec. 805(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

§19.154 Notice of registration.

The application for registration, when approved, shall constitute the notice of registration of the distilled spirits plant. A distilled spirits plant shall not be registered or reregistered under this subpart until the applicant has complied with all requirements of law and regulations relating to the qualification of the business or operations in which the applicant intends to engage. A plant shall not be operated unless the proprietor has a valid notice of registration covering the businesses and operations to be conducted at such plant. In any instance where a bond is required to be given or a permit is required to be obtained with respect to a business or operation before notice of registration of the plant may be received with respect thereto, the notice of registration shall not be valid with respect to such business or operation in the event that such bond or permit is no longer in effect. An application for reregistration shall be filed and notice of registration again obtained before engaging in such business or operation at such plant. Reregistration is not required when a new bond or a strengthening bond is filed pursuant to §19.246 or 19.247.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172); sec. 805a, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

§19.155 Maintenance of registration file.

The proprietor shall maintain the registration file in looseleaf form in complete and current condition, readily available at the plant for inspection by ATF officers.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172))

§19.156 Powers of attorney.

The proprietor shall execute and file with the regional director (compliance) a Form 1534 (5000.8) for each person authorized to sign or to act on behalf of the proprietor. (Not required for persons whose authority is furnished in the application for registration.)

(See 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172))

§19.157 Operating permits.

(a) General.

Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, each person required to file an application for registration under §19.151 shall make application for and obtain an operating permit before commencing any of the following operations:

(1) Distilling for industrial use.

- (2) Warehousing of spirits for industrial use.
- (3) Denaturing spirits.
- (4) Warehousing of spirits (without bottling) for nonindustrial use.
- (5) Bottling or packaging of spirits for industrial use.
- (6) Manufacturing articles.
- (7) Any other distilling, warehousing, or processing operation not required to be covered by a basic permit under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act (49 Stat. 978, 27 U.S.C. 203, 204). Application for such operating permit shall be made on Form 5110.25 to the regional director (compliance).

(b) Exceptions.

The provisions of paragraph (a) of this section shall not apply to any agency of a State or political subdivision thereof, or to any officer or employee of any such agency acting for the agency.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271); sec. 805(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

§19.158 Data for application for operating permits.

Each application on Form 5110.25 shall be executed under the penalties of perjury, and all written statements, affidavits, and other documents submitted in support of the application shall be deemed to be a part thereof. Applications on Form 5110.25 shall include the following information:

- (a) Name and principal business address of the applicant.
- (b) Plant address, if different from the business address.
- (c) Description of the operation to be conducted for which an operating permit must be obtained.
- (d) Statement of type of business organization and of the persons interested in the business, supported by the items of information listed in §19.167.
- (e) Trade names (see §19.165).
- (f) On specific request of the regional director (compliance), furnish a statement as to whether the applicant or any of the persons whose names and addresses are required to be furnished under the provisions of §19.167(a)(2) and (c) has ever: (1) Been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor under Federal or State law; (2) Been arrested or charged with any violation of State or Federal law (convictions or arrests or charges for traffic violations need not be reported as to paragraphs (f)(1) and (f)(2) of this section, if these violations are not felonies); or (3) Applied for, held, or been connected with a permit, issued under Federal law to manufacture, distribute, sell or use spirits or products containing spirits, whether or not for beverage use, or held any financial interest in any business covered by any such permit, and, if so, give the number and classification of the permit, the period of operation, and state in detail whether the permit was ever suspended, revoked, annulled, or otherwise terminated.

Where any of the information required by paragraph (d) or (f)(3) of this section is on file with the regional director (compliance), the applicant may, by incorporation or by reference, state that the information is made a part of the application for an operating permit. The applicant shall, when required by the regional director (compliance), furnish as a part of his application for an operating permit additional information as may be necessary for the regional director (compliance) to determine whether the applicant is entitled to the permit.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271); sec. 805(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

§19.159 Issuance of operating permits.

Only one operating permit will be issued for a plant. The operating permit shall designate the operations permitted. All of the provisions of this part relating to the performance of the operations covered by the permit shall be included in the provisions and conditions of the permit. Operating permits shall be kept posted available for inspection at the distilled spirits plant.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271); sec. 805(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

§19.160 Duration of permits.

Operating permits are continuing, unless automatically terminated by the terms thereof, suspended or revoked as provided in §19.163, or voluntarily surrendered. The provisions of §19.181 shall be a part of the terms and conditions of all operating permits issued under this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.161 Denial of permit.

If, on examination of an application for an operating permit (or on the basis of inquiry or investigation), the regional director (compliance) has reason to believe that--

- (a) The applicant (including, in the case of a corporation, any officer, director, or principal stockholder, and, in the case of a partnership, a partner) is, by reason of his business experience, financial standing, or trade connections, not likely to maintain operations in compliance with 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, or regulations issued thereunder; or
- (b) The applicant has failed to disclose any material information required, or has made any false statement, as to any material fact, in connection with the application; or
- (c) The premises on which the applicant proposes to conduct the operations are not adequate to protect the revenue; the regional director (compliance) may institute proceedings for the denial of the application in accordance with the procedures set forth in 27 CFR part 200.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.162 Correction of permits.

Where an error in an operating permit is discovered, the proprietor shall, on demand of

the regional director (compliance), immediately return the permit for correction.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.163 Suspension or revocation.

Whenever the regional director (compliance) has reason to believe that any person holding an operating permit--

- (a) Has not in good faith complied with the provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, or regulations issued thereunder; or
- (b) Has violated conditions of the permit; or
- (c) Has made any false statement as to any material fact in the application therefor; or
- (d) Has failed to disclose any material information required to be furnished; or
- (e) Has violated or conspired to violate any law of the United States relating to intoxicating liquor or has been convicted of any offense under Title 26, U.S.C. punishable as a felony or of any conspiracy to commit such offense; or
- (f) Has not engaged in any of the operations authorized by the permit for a period of more than 2 years; the regional director (compliance) may institute proceedings for the revocation or suspension of the permit in accordance with the procedures set forth in 27 CFR part 200.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.164 Rules of practice in permit proceedings.

The regulations in 27 CFR part 200 are made applicable to the procedure and practice in connection with the disapproval of any application for an operating permit required by this subpart, and in connection with the suspension and revocation of such permit.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.165 Trade names.

(a) Operating permits.

Where a trade name is to be used in connection with the operations of a plant for which an operating permit is required, the proprietor shall list that trade name on Form 5110.25 (showing the operations in which each trade name will be used) and the offices where the trade name is registered, supported by copies of any certificate or other document filed or issued in respect to the trade name.

(b) Basic permits.

Where any distilling, warehousing, or processing operation is required to be covered by a basic permit under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act (49 Stat. 978; 27 U.S.C. 203, 204), regulations issued under such Act govern the approval and use of trade names for those operations.

(c) Conditions.

Operations shall not be conducted under a trade name until the proprietor is in possession of an operating or basic permit covering the use of such name.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.166 Major equipment.

The following items of major equipment, if on the plant premises, shall be described in the application for registration:

- (a) Tanks (serial number and capacity) used in the production, storage and processing of distilled spirits, wine, denatured spirits and articles;
- (b) Stills (serial number, kind, capacity and intended use). The capacity shall be stated as the estimated maximum proof gallons of spirits capable of being produced every 24 hours, or (for column stills) may be represented by a statement of the diameter of the base and number of plates; and
- (c) Condensers (serial number).

A statement of certification of accurate calibration shall be included in the description of tanks that are to be used for gauging distilled spirits or wine for any purpose.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1352, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5179))

§19.167 Organizational documents.

The supporting information required by paragraph (c) of §19.152, and paragraph (d) of §19.158, includes, as applicable, copies of--

(a) Corporate documents.

- (1) Corporate charter or a certificate of corporate existence or incorporation.
- (2) List of directors and officers, showing their names and addresses.
- (3) Certified extracts or digests of minutes of meetings of board of directors, authorizing certain individuals to sign for the corporation.
- (4) Statement showing the number of shares of each class of stock or other evidence of ownership, authorized and outstanding, and the voting rights of the respective owners or holders.

(b) Articles of partnership.

Copy of the articles of partnership or association, if any, or certificate of partnership or association where required to be filed by any State, county, or municipality.

(c) Statement of interest.

(1) Names and addresses of the 10 persons having the largest ownership or other interest in each of the classes of stock in the corporation, or other legal entity, and the nature and amount of the stockholding or other interest of each, whether the interest appears in the name of the interested party or in the name of another for him. If a corporation is wholly owned or controlled by another corporation, those persons of the parent corporation who meet the above

standards are considered to be the persons interested in the business of the subsidiary, and the names thereof need be furnished only upon request of the regional director (compliance).

(2) In the case of an individual owner or partnership, the name and address of each person interested in the plant, whether the interest appears in the name of the interested party or in the name of another for that person.

(d) Availability of additional corporate documents.

The originals of documents required to be submitted under this section and additional documents which may be required by the regional director (compliance) such as the articles of incorporation, bylaws, and State certificate authorizing operations shall be made available to any ATF officer upon request.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271))

§19.168 Description of plant.

- (a) The application for registration shall include a description of each tract of land comprising the distilled spirits plant.
- (b) The description shall:
 - (1) Clearly indicate the bonded premises and any general premises included as part of the distilled spirits plant; and
 - (2) Contain directions and distances in sufficient detail to enable ATF officers to readily determine the boundaries of the plant.
- (c) Each building and outside tank used for the production, storage and processing of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines shall be described by location, size, construction, and arrangement with reference to each by its designated number or letter.
- (d) If a plant includes a room or floor in a building, a description of the building in which the room or floor is situated and its location shall be given.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172))

§19.169 Registry of stills.

The provisions of subpart C of part 170 of this chapter are applicable to stills or distilling apparatus located on plant premises used for distilling. As provided under §170.55, the listing of a still in the application for registration, and approval of the application, constitutes registration of the still.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1355, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5179))

[T.D. ATF-207, 50 FR 23681, June 5, 1985]

§19.170 Statement of production procedure.

The statement of production procedure in the application for registration shall set forth a step-by-step description of the procedure employed to produce spirits from an original source, commencing with the treating, mashing, or fermenting of the raw materials or

substances and continuing through each step of the distilling, purifying and refining procedure to the production gauge. The kind and approximate quantity of each material or substance used in producing, purifying, or refining each type of spirits shall be shown.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172))

Changes After Original Qualification

§19.180 Application for amended registration.

Where there is a change with respect to the information shown in the notice of registration, the proprietor shall submit, within 30 days of such change (except as otherwise provided in this subpart), an application on Form 5110.41 for amended registration. Such application shall set forth, on sheets appropriately numbered or otherwise identified, the information necessary to make the notice of registration accurate and current. Where the change affects only pages or parts of pages of the notice of registration, such complete pages shall be submitted as will enable the replacement of the pages affected and maintenance of the file as provided in §19.155.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172); sec. 805(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

§19.181 Automatic termination of permits.

(a) Permits not transferable.

Operating permits issued under this part shall not be transferred. In the event of the lease, sale, or other transfer of such a permit, or of the operations authorized thereby, the permit shall thereupon automatically terminate.

(b) *Corporations*.

In the case of a corporation holding an operating permit under this part, if actual or legal control of the permittee corporation changes, directly or indirectly, whether by reason of change in stock ownership or control (in the permittee corporation or in any other corporation), by operation of law, or in any other manner, such permit may remain in effect with respect to the operation covered thereby until the expiration of 30 days after such change, whereupon such permit shall automatically terminate. However, if within such 30 day period an application for a new permit covering such operation is made, then the outstanding operating permit may remain in effect with respect to the continuation of the operation covered thereby until final action is taken on such application. When such final action is taken, such outstanding operting permit shall thereupon automatically terminate.

(c) Basic permits.

The termination of basic permits is governed by the provisions of 27 CFR part 1.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.182 Change in name of proprietor.

Where there is to be a change in the individual, firm, or corporate name, the proprietor shall file application to amend the registration and to amend the operating and/or basic permit; a new bond or consent of surety will not be required. Operations may not be

conducted under the new name prior to approval of the amended registration and issuance of the amended permit.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271))

§19.183 Change of trade name.

If there is to be a change in, or addition of, a trade name, the proprietor shall file application to amend the operating and/or basic permit; a new bond or consent of surety will not be required. Operations may not be conducted under the new trade name prior to issuance of the amended permit.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.184 Changes in stockholders.

Changes in the list of stockholders furnished under the provisions of §19.167(c)(1) may, in lieu of submission within 30 days of the change under the provisions of §19.180, be submitted annually by the proprietor on May 1 or other date approved by the regional director (compliance), except where the sale or transfer of capital stock results in a change in the control or management of the business.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271))

§19.185 Changes in officers and directors.

Where there is any change in the list of officers and directors furnished under the provisions of §19.167(a)(2), the proprietor shall submit, within 30 days of any such change, an application on Form 5110.41 for amended registration, supported by a new list of officers and directors and a statement of the changes reflected in such list. Where the proprietor has shown to the satisfaction of the regional director (compliance) that certain corporate officers listed on the original appplication have no responsibilities in connection with the operations covered by the registration, the regional director (compliance) may waive the requirements for submitting applications for amended registration to cover changes of such corporate officers.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5172); sec. 805(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

§19.186 Change in proprietorship.

(a) General.

If there is a change in the proprietorship of a plant qualified under this part, the outgoing proprietor shall comply with the requirements of §19.211, and the successor shall, before commencing operations, apply for and obtain the required permits, file the required bonds, and file application for and receive notice of registration of the plant in the same manner as a person qualifying as the proprietor of a new plant, except that the successor may, in the manner provided in §19.187, adopt the approved formulas (5150.9) of the predecessor. Spirits may be transferred from an outgoing proprietor of a plant to a successor in the manner provided in §19.201.

(b) *Fiduciary*.

If the successor to the proprietorship of a plant is an administrator, executor, receiver, trustee, assignee or other fiduciary, he shall comply with the provisions of paragraph (a) of this section except that he may, in lieu of filing a new bond, furnish consent of surety extending the terms of the predecessor's bond, and he may also incorporate by reference in the application for registration on Form 5110.41 any pertinent information contained in the predecessor's notice of registration. The fiduciary shall furnish a certified copy of the order of the court or other pertinent document showing qualification as such fiduciary. The effective dates of the qualifying documents filed by the fiduciary shall be the effective date of the court order, or the date specified therein for him to assume control. If the fiduciary was not appointed by a court, the date of assuming control shall coincide with the effective date of the qualifying documents filed by the fiduciary.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9160, Mar. 6, 1985; 50 FR 20099, May 14, 1985]

§19.187 Adoption of formulas.

(a) Forms 5110.38.

The adoption by a successor of approved Forms 5110.38 (27-B Supplemental) shall be in the form of an application, filed with the Director. The application shall list the formulas for adoption by (1) formula number, (2) name of product, and (3) date of approval. The application shall clearly show that the predecessor has authorized the use of its previously approved formulas by the successor.

(b) Form 5150.19.

The adoption by a successor of approved Form 5150.19 (or previously approved Form 1479-A) shall be in accordance with §20.63 of this chapter.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9160, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.188 Partnerships.

If under the laws of the particular State, the partnership is not terminated on death or insolvency of a partner, but continues until the winding up of the partnership affairs is completed, and the surviving partner has the exclusive right to the control and possession of the partnership assets for the purpose of liquidation and settlement, such surviving partner may continue to operate the plant under the prior qualification of the partnership, provided a consent of surety is filed, wherein the surety and the surviving partner agree to remain liable on the operations or unit bond. If such surviving partner acquires the business on completion of the settlement of the partnership, he shall qualify in his own name from the date of acquisition, as provided in §19.186(a). The rule set forth in this section shall also apply where there is more than one surviving partner.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172))

§19.189 Change in location.

Where there is a change in the location of the plant, the proprietor shall file applications

to amend the registration of the plant and the operating and/or basic permit, and either a new bond or a consent of surety on Form 1533. Operation of the plant may not be commenced at the new location prior to approval of the amended registration and issuance of the amended permit.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349 as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§19.190 Changes in premises.

Except as provided in §§19.202, 19.203, 19.204, and 19.205, where bonded premises, or any other premises included as a part of the plant are to be extended or curtailed, the proprietor shall file an application for registration, Form 5110.41, to cover such extension or curtailment. Premises and equipment to be included by extension or to be excluded by curtailment shall not, prior to approval by the regional director (compliance) of the requried documents, be used for other than previously approved purposes.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172))

§19.191 Change in operations.

If the proprietor proposes to conduct a new business or operation involving spirits, he shall file applications to amend the registration of the plant and the operating and/or basic permit. If the proprietor desires to engage, on the plant premises, in other businesses, as provided in subpart D, he shall submit an application to amend the registration of the plant to include the information required under §19.152(I)(4). The additional operation or business may not be carried on prior to approval of the amended registration and (if required) issuance of the amended permit.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271); sec. 805(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

§19.192 Change in production procedure.

If the proprietor desires to produce a new product or make a change in a production procedure which would affect the designation, or substantially affect the character of his product, the proprietor shall file an application to amend the registration of the plant to include the amended or new statement of production procedure. The new or changed procedure may not be used prior to approval of the amended registration.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5172))

§19.193 Changes in construction or use of buildings and equipment.

(a) Changes.

When a material change, affecting the accuracy of the notice of registration, is to be made in the construction or use of buildings or equipment of a plant, other than a change covered by §§19.190, 19.202, 19.203, 19.204, or 19.205, the proprietor shall, before making such change, submit a letterhead notice to the regional director (compliance) through the area supervisor.

(b) Letterhead notice.

The letterhead notice shall:

- (1) Describe the proposed change in detail;
- (2) Be kept on file with the proprietor's current notice of registration; and
- (3) After completion of the change, be incorporated in the next amendment of the notice of registration on Form 5110.41, unless the regional director (compliance) requires immediate amendment.

(c) Emergency changes.

The proprietor may make emergency material changes without prior notification, but when such emergency changes are made, the proprietor shall promptly report such changes to the area supervisor.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5172))

Operations by Alternating Proprietors

§19.201 Procedure for alternating proprietors.

(a) General.

A plant, or any part thereof which is suitable for qualification as a separate plant, may be operated alternately by proprietors who have filed and received approval of the necessary bonds and applications for registration, and have otherwise qualified under the provisions of this subpart. Where operations by alternating proprietors are limited to parts of the plant, the notice of registration shall describe the areas, rooms or buildings or combination thereof, which will be alternated, and shall be accompanied by special diagrams designating the parts of the plant which are to be alternated. A special diagram shall be submitted for each arrangement under which the premises will be operated. Once such qualifying documents have been approved, and initial operations have been conducted thereunder, the plant, or parts thereof, may be alternated by the proprietor filing notices on Form 5110.34 with the regional director (compliance). Any transfer of spirits, idenatured spirits, and wines shall be indicated on Form 5110.34 filed by each proprietor.

(b) *Production*.

Distilling materials and unfinished spirits in any bonded areas, rooms or buildings to be alternated shall be processed to completion by the outgoing proprietor unless transferred to the incoming proprietor. All finished spirits shall be marked and removed by the outgoing proprietor in the name in which produced, before production gauge is made of any spirits by the incoming proprietor.

(c) Storage.

Spirits and wines in any bonded areas, rooms, or buildings to be alternated shall be transferred in bond to the incoming proprietor. The outgoing proprietor shall execute a consent of surety on Form 1533 (5000.18) to continue in effect the operations or unit bond whenever operation of the areas, rooms, or buildings is to be resumed by him following suspension of operations by an alternate proprietor.

(d) *Processing*.

Spirits, denatured spirits, wines and articles in any rooms, areas, or buildings to be alternated shall be processed to completion and removed from the affected areas, rooms, or buildings by the outgoing proprietor prior to the effective date and hours given in the notice unless transferred or retained in locked tanks as provided in this paragraph. Spirits, denatured spirits, and wines may be transferred to the incoming proprietor. Further, the outgoing proprietor shall execute a consent of surety on Form 1533 (5000.18) to continue in effect the operations or unit bond whenever operation of the affected areas, rooms, or buildings is to be resumed by him following suspension of operations by the alternate proprietor. Denatured spirits and articles may be retained in tanks locked by approved locks, the keys to which are in the custody of the outgoing proprietor. In this case, the outgoing proprietor shall execute a consent of surety on Form 1533 (5000.18) to continue liability on the operations or unit bond for the tax on such denatured spirits or articles retained in such tanks, notwithstanding the change in proprietorship.

(e) Records.

Each proprietor shall maintain separate records and submit separate reports. Records kept by the outgoing proprietor for spirits, wines, and alcoholic flavoring materials may be used by the incoming proprietor. All transfers of distilling materials, unfinished spirits, spirits, denatured spirits, and wines shall be reflected in the records of each proprietor.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271))

Alternate Operations

§19.202 Alternate use of premises and equipment for customs purposes.

(a) General.

The premises of a distilled spirits plant may, as provided in this section, be alternately curtailed and extended to permit the facilities of the distilled spirits plant to be used temporarily by customs officers, under applicable customs law and regulations, for the purpose of gauging or processing distilled spirits. The use of the excluded portion of the premises for customs purposes is subject to the approval of the district director Jlant premises is first to be excluded as provided in this section, the proprietor shall file with the regional director (compliance) (1) an application for registration. Form 5110.41, to cover alternate curtailment and extension of premises, and (2) a special diagram, in duplicate, delineating the premises as they will exist. both during extension and curtailment, and clearly depicting all buildings, floors, rooms, areas, equipment and spirits lines (identified individually by letter or number) which are to be subject to alternation, in their relative operating sequence. Once such qualifying documents have been approved by the regional director (compliance), the designated premises and equipment may be alternately curtailed or extended pursuant to notice on Form 5110.34. Portions of the premises to be excluded by curtailment or included by extension shall not be used for purposes other than as set forth in the current notice. The proprietor shall remove all spirits from the premises or equipment affected by the notice prior to the effective date and hours of the notice. However, on release by customs, spirits being transferred to bonded premises under 26 U.S.C. 5232, may remain on the premises to be reincluded in bonded premises.

(b) Separation of premises.

The portion of the premises which is to be excluded from the distilled spirits plant premises as provided in this section shall be separated from the remaining portion of the distilled spirits plant premises in a manner which satisfies the regional director (compliance) that the revenue will not be jeopardized.

(c) Exception.

Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the bonded premises may be used temporarily without filing Form 5110.41 or Form 5110.34, for the sole purpose of gauging bulk distilled spirits to effect their transfer from customs custody to ATF bond.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5178))

§19.203 Alternation of distilled spirits plant and bonded wine cellar premises.

(a) General.

A proprietor of a distilled spirits plant operating a contiguous bonded wine cellar desiring to alternate the use of each premises by extension and curtailment shall file necessary qualifying documents with the regional director (compliance).

(b) Qualifying documents.

The proprietor shall file with the regional director (compliance):

- (1) Form 5110.41 and Form 5120.25 to cover the proposed alternation of premises;
- (2) A special diagram, in duplicate, delineating the premises as they will exist, both during extension and curtailment and clearly depicting all buildings, floors, rooms, areas, equipment and spirits lines (identified individually by letter or number) which are to be subject to alternation, in their relative operating sequence; and
- (3) Evidence of existing bond, consent of surety, or a new bond to cover the proposed alternation of premises.

(c) Proprietor's responsibility.

After approval of qualifying documents for the alternation of premises, and after initial operations have been conducted thereunder, the proprietor shall execute Form 5110.34 each time the premises are alternated. Prior to the effective hour of the date shown on the Form 5110.34, the proprietor shall remove all spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and wines from the distilled spirits plant premises alternated to bonded wine cellar premises. Any wine on bonded wine cellar premises shall be removed prior to alternation to distilled spirits plant premises unless wine is being simultaneously transferred in bond to the distilled spirits plant.

(d) Separation of premises.

Separation of distilled spirits plant premises from bonded wine cellar premises after

alternation shall be in a manner which satisfies the regional director (compliance) that the revenue will not be jeopardized.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5178))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-344, 58 FR 40354, July 28, 1993]

§19.204 Alternation of distilled spirits plant and taxpaid wine bottling house premises.

(a) General.

A proprietor of a distilled spirits plant operating a contiguous taxpaid wine bottling house desiring to alternate the use of each premises by extension and curtailment shall file necessary qualifying documents with the regional director (compliance).

(b) Qualifying documents.

The proprietor shall file with the regional director (compliance):

- (1) Form 5110.41 and Form 5120.25 to cover the proposed alternation of premises;
- (2) A special diagram, in duplicate, delineating the premises as they will exist, both during extension and curtailment and clearly depicting all buildings, floors, rooms, areas, equipment and spirits lines (identified individually by letter or number) which are to be subject to alternation, in their relative operating sequence; and
- (3) Evidence of existing bond, consent of surety, or a new bond to cover the proposed alternation of premises.

(c) Proprietor's responsibility.

After approval of qualifying documents for the alternation of premises, and after initial operations have been conducted thereunder, the proprietor shall execute Form 5110.34 each time the premises are alternated. Prior to the effective hour of the date shown on the Form 5110.34, the proprietor shall remove all spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and wines from the distilled spirits plant premises alternated to taxpaid wine bottling house premises. Any wine on taxpaid wine bottling house premises shall be removed prior to alternation to distilled spirits plant premises.

(d) Separation of premises.

Separation of distilled spirits plant premises from taxpaid wine bottling house premises after alternation shall be in a manner which satisfies the regional director (compliance) that the revenue will not be jeopardized.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5178))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-344, 58 FR 40354, July 28, 1993]

§19.205 Alternate curtailment and extension of bonded premises for use as general premises.

(a) General.

The premises of a distilled spirits plant may, as provided in this section, be alternately curtailed and extended to permit the bonded premises of the distilled spirits plant to be used temporarily as general premises, or to permit the general premises of a distilled spirits plant to be used temporarily as bonded premises.

(b) Qualifying documents.

When a portion of the distilled spirits plant premises is first to be curtailed or extended as provided in this section, the proprietor shall file with the regional director (compliance)--

- (1) An application for registration, Form 5110.41, to cover alternate extension and curtailment of the premises, and
- (2) A special diagram, in duplicate, delineating the premises as they will exist, both during extension and curtailment, and clearly depicting all buildings, floors, rooms, areas, equipment and spirits lines (identified individually by letter or number) which are to be subject to alternation, in their relative operating sequence.

(c) Proprietor's responsibility.

Once such qualifying documents have been approved by the regional director (compliance), the designated premises and equipment may be alternately curtailed or extended pursuant to notice on Form 5110.34. Portions of the premises to be excluded by curtailment or included by extension shall not be used for purposes other than as set forth in the current notice. The proprietor shall remove all spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and wines from the premises or equipment affected by the notice prior to the effective date and hour of the notice, except that--

- (1) Bonded spirits on portions of bonded premises that are to be curtailed to general premises need not be removed if the spirits are taxpaid concurrent with the filing of Form 5110.34 to effect curtailment; and
- (2) Taxpaid spirits on portions of general premises to be curtailed to bonded premises need not be removed if the spirits are to be immediately dumped and returned to bond under the provisions of subpart U of this part.

(d) Separation of premises.

The portion of the premises which is to be curtailed or extended as provided in this section shall be separated from the remaining portion of the distilled spirits plant in a manner which satisfies the regional director (compliance) that the revenue will not be jeopardized.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5178))

§19.206 Curtailment and extension of plant premises for the manufacture of eligible flavors.

(a) General.

The premises of a distilled spirits plant may be alternately curtailed and extended, as provided in this section, to permit the use of the facilities for the manufacture of

eligible flavors.

(b) Qualifying documents.

When a portion of the distilled spirits plant premises is first to be curtailed or extended as provided in this section, the proprietor shall file with the regional director (compliance)--

- (1) An application for registration, Form 5110.41, to cover alternate extension and curtailment of the premises, and
- (2) A special diagram, in duplicate, delineating the premises as they will exist, both during extension and curtailment, and clearly depicting all buildings, floors, rooms, areas, equipment and spirits lines (identified individually by letter or number) which are to be subject to alternation, in their relative operating sequence.

(c) Proprietor's responsibility.

Once such qualifying documents have been approved by the regional director (compliance), the designated premises and equipment may be alternately curtailed or extended pursuant to notice on Form 5110.34. Portions of the premises to be excluded by curtailment or included by extension shall not be used for purposes other than as set forth in the current notice. The proprietor shall remove all spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and wines from the premises or equipment which are to be curtailed from bonded premises or are to be included by extension of bonded premises prior to the effective date and hour of the notice, except that--

- (1) Bonded spirits on portions of bonded premises that are to be curtailed need not be removed if the spirits are taxpaid concurrent with the filing of Form 5110.34 to effect curtailment; and
- (2) Taxpaid spirits which are on portions of premises to be included by extension of bonded premises and which have not been used in the manufacture of a nonbeverage product need not be removed if the spirits are to be dumped immediately and returned to bond under the provisions of subpart U of this part.

(d) Separation of premises.

The portion of the premises which is to be curtailed or extended as provided in this section shall be separated from the remaining portion of the distilled spirits plant in a manner which satisfies the regional director (compliance) that the revenue will not be jeopardized.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5178)) [T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18063, Apr. 30, 1990]

Permanent Discontinuance of Business

§19.211 Notice of permanent discontinuance.

When the proprietor permanently discontinues any or all of the operations listed in the notice of registration, he shall file a Form 5110.41 to show the discontinuance. Form 5110.41 shall be accompanied (a) by all permits issued to the proprietor under this

subpart covering the discontinued operations, and by the proprietor's request that such permits be canceled; (b) by the proprietor's written statement disclosing, as applicable, whether (1) all spirits, denatured spirits, articles, wines, liquor bottles, and other pertinent items have been lawfully disposed of, (2) any spirits, denatured spirits, wines, or liquor bottles are in transit to the premises, (3) all approved applications for transfer of spirits and denatured spirits to the premises have been secured and returned to the regional director (compliance) for cancellation; and (c) by pertinent reports coverning the discontinued operations (each report shall be marked "Final Report").

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271))

[T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23951, June 7, 1985]

Subpart H--Bonds and Consents of Surety

§19.231 Filing of operations or unit bonds.

Every person intending to establish a distilled spirits plant shall file an operations or unit bond as prescribed in this subpart, covering distilled spirits operations at such plant, with the regional director (compliance), at the time of filing the original application for registration of the plant, and at such other times as are required by this part. Such bond shall be conditioned that he shall faithfully comply with all provisions of law and regulations relating to activities covered by such bond, will pay all taxes imposed by 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, and shall pay all penalties incurred or fines imposed for violation of any such provisions. The regional director (compliance) may require, in connection with any operations or unit bond, a statement, executed under the penalties of perjury, as to whether the principal or any person owning, controlling, or actively participating in the management of the business of the principal has been convicted of or has compromised any offense set forth in §19.237(a)(1) or has been convicted of any offense set forth in §19.237(a)(2). In the event the above statement contains an affirmative answer, the applicant shall submit a statement describing in detail the circumstances surrounding such conviction or compromise. No person shall comence or continue distilled spirits operations at such plant unless he has a valid operations or unit bond (and consent of surety, if necessary), as required in respect of such operations by this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1394, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5551); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

§19.232 Additional condition of operations bond.

In addition to the requirements of §19.231, the operations bond shall be conditioned on payment of the tax now or hereafter in force, except as provided by law, including taxes on all unexplained shortages of bottled distilled spirits.

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§19.233 Corporate surety.

(a) Surety bonds required by this part may be given only with corporate sureties holding certificates of authority from, and subject to the limitations prescribed by, the Secretary as set forth in the current revision of Treasury Department Circular 570 (Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies).

(b) Treasury Department Circular No. 570 is published in the FEDERAL REGISTER yearly as of the first workday of July. As they occur, interim revisions of the circular are published in the FEDERAL REGISTER. Copies may be obtained from the Audit Staff, Bureau of Government Financial Operations, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20226.

(Ch. 390, Pub. L. 80-280, 61 Stat. 648 as amended (31 U.S.C. 9304, 9306))

§19.234 Deposit of securities in lieu of corporate surety.

In lieu of corporate surety, the principal may pledge and deposit, as surety for his bond, securities which are transferable and are guaranteed as to both interest and principal by the United States, in accordance with the provisions of 31 CFR part 225.

(Ch. 390, Pub. L. 80-280, 61 Stat. 650 (31 U.S.C. 9301, 9303))

§19.235 Consents of surety.

Consents of surety to changes in the terms of bonds shall be executed on Form 1533 by the principal and by the surety with the same formality and proof of authority as is required for the execution of bonds.

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§19.236 Filing and execution of powers of attorney.

(a) Filing.

Each bond, and each consent to changes in the terms of a bond, shall be accompanied by a power of attorney authorizing the agent or officer who executed the bond or consent to so act on behalf of the surety. The regional director (compliance) who is authorized to approve the bond may require additional evidence of the authority of the agent or officer to execute the bond or consent.

(b) *Execution*.

The power of attorney shall be prepared on a form provided by the surety company and executed under the corporate seal of the company. If the power of attorney submitted is other than a manually signed original, it shall be accompanied by certification of its validity.

(Ch. 390, Pub. L. 80-280, 61 Stat. 648 (31 U.S.C. 9304, 9306))

§19.237 Disapproval of bonds or consents of surety.

(a) Disapproval.

The regional director (compliance) may disapprove any bond or consent of surety submitted in respect to the operations of a distiller, warehouseman, or processor, if the principal or any person owning, controlling, or actively participating in the management of the business of the principal shall have been previously convicted, in a court of competent jurisdiction of--

(1) Any fraudulent noncompliance with any provision of any law of the United States, if such provision related to internal revenue or customs taxation of spirits, wines, or beer, or if such an offense shall have been compromised with the

person on payment of penalties or otherwise, or

(2) Any felony under a law of any State or the District of Columbia, or the United States, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, importation, or transportation of spirits, wine, beer, or other intoxicating liquor.

(b) Appeal.

Where a bond or consent of surety is disapproved by the regional director (compliance), the person giving the bond may appeal to the Director, who will hear such appeal. The decision of the Director shall be final.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1394, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5551))

§19.241 Operations bond--distilled spirits plant and adjacent bonded wine cellar.

(a) General.

A wine cellar under the provisions of 27 CFR part 24 shall be treated as being adjacent to a distilled spirits plant if--

- (1) Such distilled spirits plant is qualified under subpart G for the production of distilled spirits; and
- (2) Such wine cellar and distilled spirits plant are operated by the same person (or in the case of a corporation, by such corporation and its controlled subsidiaries). For the purpose of this section a controlled subsidiary is a corporation where more than 50 percent of the voting power is controlled by the parent corporation.

(b) Bond in lieu of wine cellar bond.

In the case of an adjacent bonded wine cellar, a bond furnished under this subpart which covers operations at such bonded wine cellar shall be in lieu of any bond which would otherwise be required under 26 U.S.C. 5354 with respect to such wine cellar (other than supplemental bonds required under the second sentence of 26 U.S.C. 5354) and the operations bond listed in §19.245(a)(1).

(c) Liability.

Bonds given under this section shall contain the terms and conditions of the bonds in lieu of which they are given. The total amount of such operations bond shall be available for the satisfaction of any liability incurred under the terms or conditions of such bond.

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-299, 55 FR 24989, June 19, 1990]

§19.242 Area operations bond.

Any person (or, in the case of a corporation, a corporation and its controlled subsidiaries) operating more than one plant in a region may give an area operations

bond covering the operation of any two or more of such plants, and any bonded wine cellars which are adjacent to such plants and which otherwise could be covered by an operations bond. For the purpose of this section, a controlled subsidiary is a corporation where more than 50 percent of the voting power is controlled by the parent corporation. Bonds given under this section shall be in lieu of the bonds which would be required under §19.245(a) and shall contain the terms and conditions of such bonds. If the area operations bond covers the operations of more than one corporation, each corporation shall be shown as principal, and the bond shall be signed for each corporation. The total amount of the area operations bond shall be available for the satisfaction of any liability incurred under the terms or conditions of such bond.

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§19.243 Withdrawal bond.

Any person (or, in the case of a corporation, a corporation and its controlled subsidiaries) operating one or more distilled spirits plants within a region and who intends to withdraw spirits from bond on determination, but before payment, of the tax shall, before making any such withdrawal, furnish a withdrawal bond to secure payment of the tax on all spirits so withdrawn. Such bond shall be in addition to the operations bond, and if the distilled spirits are withdrawn under the withdrawal bond, the operations bond shall no longer cover liability for payment of the tax on the spirits withdrawn. For the purpose of this section, a controlled subsidiary is a corporation where more than 50 percent of the voting power is controlled by the parent corporation. The bond, if it covers more than one plant, shall show as to each plant covered by the bond the part of the total sum which represents the penal sum (computed in accordance with §19.245) for each such plant. If the penal sum of the bond covering a plant, or the penal sum allocated to any plant (where the bond covers more than one plant), is in an amount less than the maximum prescribed in §19.245, withdrawals from such plant shall not exceed the quantity permissible, as reflected by the penal sum in the bond for such plant. Such withdrawal bond shall be conditioned that the total amount of the bond shall be available for satisfaction of any liability incurred under the terms and conditions of such bond.

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§19.244 Unit bond.

Any person (or, in the case of a corporation, a corporation and its controlled subsidiaries) who would otherwise be required to give bonds for both operations at one or more distilled spirits plants (and any adjacent bonded wine cellars) and withdrawals from one or more distilled spirits plants within a reigon may, in lieu of furnishing separate bonds for operations and withdrawals, furnish a unit bond containing the terms and conditions of the bonds in lieu of which it is given. For the purpose of this section, a controlled subsidiary is a corporation where more than 50 percent of the voting power is controlled by the parent corporation. The unit bond shall show as to each plant covered by the bond the part of the total sum which represents the penal sum (computed in accordance with §19.245) for operations at and withdrawals from each plant. If the penal sum of the bond covering a plant, or the penal sum allocated to any plant (if the bond covers more than one plant), is in an amount less than the maximum prescribed in §19.245, operations at and/or withdrawals from such plant shall not exceed the quantity permissible as reflected by the penal sum in the bond for such plant. The unit bond shall be conditioned that the total amount of the bond shall be available for satisfaction of any liability incurred under the terms and conditions of such bond.

§19.245 Bonds and penal sums of bonds.

The bonds, and the penal sums thereof, required by this subpart, are as follows:

Type of bond	Ba		Minimum	Maximum	
(a) Operations bond:	The amount of tax on spirits pro	oduced during a period of 15	\$5, 000	\$100,000	
(1) One plant bond-	days.				
(i) Distiller (ii) Warehouseman:	The amount of tax on spirits an	d wines deposited in stored	5, 000	200,000	
(A) General	on, and in transit to bonded pre		5, 000	200,000	
(B) Limited to storage of spirits	,	mioco.	5, 000	50,000	
in packages to a total of not			0, 000	00,000	
over 50,000 proof gallons.					
(iii) Distiller and	The amount of tax on spirits pro	oduced during a period of 15	10, 000	200,000	
warehouseman.	days, and the amount of tax on	spirits and wines deposited,			
	in stored on, and in transit to be				
(iv) Distiller and processor.	The amount of tax on spirits produced during a period of 15		10, 000	200,000	
	days, and the amount of tax on				
	articles, and wines deposited in	n, stored on, and in transit to			
())) (bonded premises		40.000	252.222	
(v) Warehouseman and	The amount of tax on spirits, de		10, 000	250,000	
processor:	wines deposited in, stored on, a premises	and in transit to bonded			
(A) General (B) Limited to storage of spirits			10,000	50,000	
or denatured spirits in	40		10, 000	50,000	
packages to a total of not over					
50,000 proof gallons, and					
processing of spirits or					
denatured spirits so stored.					
(vi) Distiller, warehouseman,	The amount of tax on spirits pro	oduced during a period of 15	15, 000	250,000	
and processor.	days, and the amount of tax on		,	•	
·	articles, and wines deposited ir	n, stored on, and in transit to			
	bonded premises.				
(2) Adjacent bonded wine	The sum of the amount of tax of		6, 000	150,000	
cellars		ellar operations, the amount of			
(i) Distiller and bonded wine	tax on wines and wine spi	rits possessed and in transit.			
cellar.			44.000		
(ii) Distiller, warehouseman,	The sum of the amount of tax calculated in (a)(1)(iii) and with		11, 000	250,000	
and bonded wine cellar.	respect to bonded wine cellar o				
(iii) Dietiller processor and	on wines and wine spirits posse		11 000	250,000	
(iii) Distiller, processor and bonded wine cellar.	The sum of the amount of tax or respect to bonded wine cellar or		11, 000	250,000	
bolided wille cellal.	on wines and wine spirits posse				
(iv) Distiller, warehouseman,			16, 000	300,000	
processor and bonded wine	The sum of the amount of tax calculated in (a)(1)(vi) and with respect to bonded wine cellar operations, the amount of tax		000,000		
cellar.	on wines and wine spirits posse				
(b) Area operations bond:	The penal sum shall be calcula				
(1)	following table:				
	Total penal sums as	Requirements for penal sum	of area operation	s bond	
	determined under (a)				
	Not over \$300,000	100 percent.			
	Over \$300,000 but not over	\$300,000 plus 70 percent of 6	excess over \$300	,000.	
	\$600,000.				
	Over \$600,000 but not over \$510,000 plus 50 percent of excess over \$600,000.				
	\$1,000,000.				
	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$710,000 plus 35 percent of excess or \$2,000,000.		excess over \$1,00	\$1,000,000.	
				200 200	
(a) 106th decreed to a d	Over \$2,000,000	\$1,060,000 plus 25 percent o			
(c) Withdrawal bond:	The amount of tax which, at an		1, 000	1,000,000	
(1) One plant qualified for	against such bond but has not	been paid.			
distilled spirits operations. (2) Two or more plants in a	Sum of the penal sums for acad	h plant calculated in (a)(1) of	(¹)	^{/2} \	
region qualified for distilled	Sum of the penal sums for each plant calculated in (c)(1) of (¹) (²) this section.				
spirits operations.	uno secuon.				
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(d) Unit bond:	Total penal sums of (a) and (c)(1) of this section	6, 000	1,300,000
(1) Both operations at a			
distilled spirits plant (and any			
adjacent bonded wine cellar)			
and withdrawals from the			
bonded premises of the same			
distilled spirits plant.			
(2) Both operations at two or	Total penal sum of (b) and (c)(2) of this section in lieu of	(³)	(⁴)
more distilled spirits plants	which given.		
(and any adjacent bonded			
wine cellar) within the same			
region and withdrawals from			
the bonded premises of the			
same distilled spirits plants.			

¹ Sum of the minimum penal sums required for each plant covered by the bond.

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

§19.246 Strengthening bonds.

In all cases when the penal sum of any bond becomes insufficient, the principal shall either give a strengthening bond with the same surety to attain a sufficient penal sum, or give a new bond to cover the entire liability. Strengthening bonds will not be approved where any notation is made thereon which is intended, or which may be construed, as a release of any former bond, or as limiting the amount of any bond to less than its full penal sum. Strengthening bonds shall show the current date of execution and the effective date.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1394, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5551); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

New or Superseding Bonds

§19.247 General.

New bonds shall be required in case of insolvency or removal of any surety, and may, at the discretion of the regional director (compliance), be required in any other contingency affecting the validity or impairing the efficiency of such bond. Executors, administrators, assignees, receivers, trustees, or other persons acting in a fiduciary capacity, continuing or liquidating the business of the principal, shall execute and file a new bond or obtain the consent of the surety or sureties on the existing bond or bonds. When, under the provisions of §19.250, the surety on any bond given under this subpart has filed an application to be relieved of liability under said bond and the principal desires or intends to continue the business of operations to which such bond relates, he shall file a valid superseding bond to be effective on or before the date specified in the surety's notice. New or superseding bonds shall show the current date of execution and the effective date.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended, 1394, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5175, 5176, 5551); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

 $^{^2}$ Sum of the maximum penal sums required for each plant covered by the bond. (The maximum penal sum for one plant is \$1,000,000.)

 $^{^3}$ Sum of the minimum penal sums for operations and withdrawal bonds required for each plant covered by the bond.

⁴ Sum of the maximum penal sums for area operations bonds and withdrawal bonds required for the plants covered by the unit bond.

§19.248 New or superseding bond.

(a) Operations bond.

When a new or superseding operations bond is not given as required in §19.247, the principal shall immediately discontinue the business or distilled spirits operations to which such bond relates.

(b) Withdrawal bond.

When a new or superseding withdrawal bond is not given as required by §19.247, the principal may not withdraw any distilled spirits from bonded premises (other than distilled spirits withdrawn under 26 U.S.C. 5214 or 7510) except on prior payment of tax.

(c) Unit bond.

When a new or superseding unit bond is not given as required by §19.247, the principal shall immediately discontinue the business or distilled spirits operations to which such bond relates and may not withdraw any distilled spirits from bonded premises (other than distilled spirits withdrawn under 26 U.S.C. 5214 or 7510) except on prior payment of tax.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5175, 5176); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

Termination of Bonds

§19.249 Termination of bonds.

Operations, withdrawal, or unit bonds may be terminated as to liability for future withdrawals and/or to future production or deposits.

- (a) Pursuant to application of the surety as provided in §19.250.
- (b) On approval of a superseding bond.
- (c) On notification by the principal that he has discontinued withdrawals under the bond if such bond was filed solely as a withdrawal bond, or
- (d) On notification by the principal that he has discontinued business.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5175, 5176); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§19.250 Application of surety for relief from bond.

A surety on any operations, withdrawal, or unit bond may at any time in writing notify the principal and the regional director (compliance) in whose office the bond is on file that he desires, after a date named, to be relieved of liability under said bond. Such date shall be not less than 10 days after the date the notice is received by the regional director (compliance) in the case of a withdrawal bond, and not less than 90 days after the date the notice is received in the case of an operations or unit bond. The surety shall also file with the regional director (compliance) an acknowledgment or other proof of service on the principal. If such notice is not thereafter in writing withdrawn, the rights of the principal as supported by said bond shall be terminated on the date named in the notice,

and the surety shall be relieved from liability to the extent set forth in §19.251.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5175, 5176); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§19.251 Relief of surety from bond.

(a) General.

The surety on an operations, withdrawal, or unit bond who has filed application for relief from liability as provided in §19.250 shall be relieved from liability under such bond as set forth in this section.

(b) Operations or unit bonds.

Where a new or superseding bond is filed, the surety shall be relieved of future liability with respect to production and deposits wholly subsequent to the effective date of the new or superseding bond. Notwithstanding such relief, the surety shall remain liable for the tax on all distilled spirits or wines produced, or for other liabilities incurred, during the term of the bond. Where a new or superseding bond is not filed the surety shall, in addition to the continuing liabilities above specified, remain liable under the bond for all spirits or wines on hand or in transit to the bonded premises or bonded wine cellar, as the case may be, on the date named in the notice until all such spirits or wines have been lawfully disposed of, or a new bond has been filed by the principal covering the same.

(c) Withdrawal or unit bonds.

The surety shall be relieved from liability for withdrawals made wholly subsequent to the date specified in the notice, or the effective date of a new bond, if one is given.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5176,); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§19.252 Release of pledged securities.

Securities of the United States pledged and deposited as provided in §19.234 shall be released only in accordance with the provisions of 31 CFR part 225. Such securities will not be released by the regional director (compliance) until liability under the bond for which they were pledged has been terminated. When the regional director (compliance) is satisfied that they may be released, he shall fix the date or dates on which a part or all of such securities may be released. At any time prior to the release of such securities, the regional director (compliance) may extend the date of release for such additional length of time as he deems necessary.

(Ch. 290, Pub. L. 80-280, 61 Stat. 650 (31 U.S.C. 9301, 9303))

Subpart I--Construction, Equipment and Security

§19.271 Construction of buildings

Buildings in which spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines are produced, stored, or processed shall be constructed with substantial material (e.g., masonry, concrete, wood, metal, etc.), and arranged, equipped, and protected to provide adequate security to the revenue.

§19.272 Equipment.

The proprietor shall provide equipment suitable for the operations conducted on the distilled spirits plant. The equipment shall also meet the needs for revenue protection.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended) (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.273 Tanks.

(a) General.

- (1) Tanks used as receptacles for spirits, denatured spirits, or wines shall be located, constructed, and equipped to be suitable for the intended purpose and to allow ready examination.
- (2) An accurate means of measuring the contents of each tank shall be provided by the proprietor.
- (3) When a means of mearuring is not a permanent fixture of the tank, the tank shall be equipped with a fixed device to allow the approximate contents to be determined readily.
- (4) Tanks used for determining the tax imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5001 shall be mounted on scales and an additional suitable device shall be provided so that the volume of the contents can be quickly and accurately determined.
- (5) The proprietor shall install walkways, landings and stairways which will permit safe access to all parts of a tank.
- (6) Tanks in which gauges required by this part are to be made shall not be used until they are accurately calibrated and a statement of certification of accurate calibration is included in the notice of registration.
- (7) If tanks or their fixed gauging devices are moved in location or position subsequent to original calibration, the tanks shall not be used until recalibrated.
- (8) All tanks shall be equipped or situated so that they may be locked or otherwise secured.
- (9) Any tank vents, flame arresters, foam devices, or other safety devices shall be constructed to prevent extraction of spirits or wines.

(b) Scale tanks.

(1) Beams or dials of scale tanks used for determining the tax imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5001 shall have minimum graduations not greater than the following:

Quantity to be weighed	Minimum graduation
Not exceeding 2,000 pounds	1/2 pound;
Between 2,000 and 6,000 pounds	1 pound;
Between 6,000 and 20,000 pounds	2 pounds;

Between 20,000 and 50,000 pounds	5 pounds
Over 50,000 pounds	10 pounds.

- (2) For scales having a capacity greater than 2,000 pounds, the minimum quantity which may be entered onto the weighing tank scale for gauging for tax determination shall be the greater of
 - (i) 1,000 times the minimum graduation of the scale or
 - (ii) 5 percent of the total capacity of the weighing tank scale.
 - (3) The weighing of lesser quantities for determination of tax may be authorized by the regional director (compliance) where the beam of the scale is calibrated in ½ pound or 1 pound graduations and it is found by actual test that the scales break accurately at each graduation.
 - (4) Lots of spirits weighing 1,000 pounds or less shall be weighed on scales having $\frac{1}{2}$ pound graduations.

(c) *Testing of scale tanks*.

- (1) Proprietors shall ensure the accuracy of scales used for weighing lots of spirits or denatured spirits through tests conducted at intervals of not more than 6 months, and whenever scales are adjusted or repaired.
- (2) Proprietors shall also test, at least once a month, the gallonage represented to be in a scale tank against the gallonage indicated by volumetric determination of the contents of the tank. However, if the scale is not used during a month the volumetric determination need only be verified at the next time actually used.
- (3) The volumetric determination shall be made in accordance with 27 CFR part 30, and if the variation exceeds 0.5 percent of the quantities shown to be in the tank, the proprietor shall take appropriate steps to have the accuracy of the scale verified.
- (4) When an ATF officer determines that a tank scale may be inaccurate, the proprietor shall have the accuracy of the scale tested.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1320, as amended, 1358, as amended, 1391, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5006, 5204, 5505))

§19.274 Pipelines.

(a) General.

- (1) Pipelines for the conveyance of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines shall be of permanent character and constructed, connected, arranged, and secured so as to afford adequate protection to the revenue and to permit ready examination. However, the regional director (compliance) may approve pipelines which may not be readily examined if no jeopardy to the revenue is created.
- (2) Where a pipeline connection must be flexible, a hose may be used if connected and secured so as to protect the revenue.

(b) Identification.

The regional director (compliance) may require permanent pipelines for conveyance of spirits or denatured spirits to be color coded to provide identification.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.275 Continuous distilling system.

The distilling system shall be continuous, and designed, constructed, and connected in such a manner as to prevent the unauthorized removal of distilled spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.276 Package scales.

Proprietors shall ensure the accuracy of scales used for weighing packages of spirits through tests conducted at intervals of not more than 6 months or whenever scales are adjusted or repaired. However, if the scales are not used during such period, the scales need only be tested prior to use. Scales used to weigh packages designed to hold 10 wine gallons or less shall indicate weight in ounces or in hundredths of a pound.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204))

§19.277 Measuring devices and proofing instruments.

(a) General.

Proprietors shall provide for their own use accurate hydrometers, thermometers, and other necessary equipment to determine proof or volume.

(b) *Instruments*.

Hydrometers and thermometers used by proprietors to gauge spirits shall show subdivisions or graduations of proof and temperature which are at least as delimitated as those prescribed in 27 CFR part 30. Proprietors shall make frequent tests of their hydrometers and thermometers, and, if they appear to be in error in excess of one subdivision, the instruments shall not be used until they are further tested and certified as accurate by the manufacturer or another qualified person.

(c) Meters.

The regional director (compliance) may approve applications to measure spirits by meter for purposes other than tax determination. Applications shall include sufficient technical data, such as the make, model and accuracy tolerance, to enable the regional director (compliance) to evaluate the suitability of the meter for its intended use. Corrections for temperature of the spirits being measured shall be made in conjunction with the volumetric measurement of spirits by meter. If a meter does not have a temperature compensating feature, temperature correction shall be ascertained and made from a representative sample taken from the spirits being measured.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204))

§19.278 Identification of structures, areas, apparatus, and equipment.

- (a) Each room or enclosed area where spirits, denatured spirits, articles, wine, distilling or fermenting materials, or containers are held, and each building, within the plant, shall be appropriately marked with a distinguishing number or letter.
- (b) Each tank or receptacle for spirits, denatured spirits, or wine shall be marked to show a unique serial number and capacity.
- (c) Each still, fermenter, cooker, and yeast tank shall be numbered and marked to show its use.
- (d) All other major equipment used for processing or containing spirits, denatured spirits, or wine, or distilling or fermenting material, and all other tanks, shall be identified as to use unless the intended purpose is readily apparent.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.279 Office facilities.

- (a) If the regional director (compliance) assigns on a continuing basis an ATF officer to a plant to supervise operations, the proprietor shall provide an office at the distilled spirits plant for the exclusive use of ATF officers in performing their duties. The office shall be provided with adequate office furniture, lighting, ventilation, heating, and toilet and lavatory facilities. A secure cabinet, fitted for locking with a Government lock and of adequate size, shall also be provided by the proprietor. The office, facilities, and equipment provided by the proprietor shall be subject to the approval of the regional director (compliance). Where suitable facilities are otherwise available, the regional director (compliance) may waive the requirements for a separate Government office.
- (b) If an ATF officer is not assigned to a plant on a continuing basis, the regional director (compliance) may require the proprietor to provide for Government use a cabinet as specified in paragraph (a) of this section.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.280 Signs.

The proprietor shall place and keep conspicuously on the outside of his place of business a sign showing the name of the proprietor and denoting the business, or businesses, in which engaged.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1355, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5180))

§19.281 Security.

(a) General.

The proprietor shall provide adequate security measures at the distilled spirits plant to protect the revenue.

(b) Buildings.

The buildings, rooms, and partitions shall be constructed of substantial materials. Doors, windows, or any other openings to the building shall be secured or fastened during times when distilled spirits plant operations are not being conducted.

(c) Outdoor tanks.

Outdoor tanks containing spirits, denatured spirits, or wine shall be individually locked or locked within an enclosure when they are not in use.

(d) Indoor tanks.

Indoor tanks containing spirits, denatured spirits, or wines or the rooms or buildings in which they are housed, shall be equipped so that they may be secured.

(e) Approved locks.

- (1) Approved locks shall be used to secure:
 - (i) Outdoor tanks containing spirits in the storage account or on an enclosure around such tanks:
 - (ii) Indoor tanks containing spirits in the storage account or on the door from which access may be gained from the outside to the rooms or buildings in which such tanks are housed; and
 - (iii) Any doors from which access may be gained from the outside to rooms or buildings containing spirits in portable bulk containers in the storage account.
- (2) Approved locks shall meet the following minimum specifications:
 - (i) Corresponding serial number on the lock and on the key, except for master key locking systems;
 - (ii) Case hardened shackle at least one-fourth inch in diameter, with heel and toe locking;
 - (iii) Body width of at least 2":
 - (iv) Captured key feature (key may not be removed while shackle is unlocked);
 - (v) Tumbler with at least 5 pins; and
 - (vi) Lock or key contains no bitting data.

Master key locking systems may be used at the option of the proprietor. Locks meeting the specifications in this section are approved locks for the purpose of 26 U.S.C. 5682. Proprietors who wish to use locks of unusual design, which do not meet the specifications in this part, shall submit an example or prototype of the lock to the Director, through the regional director (compliance), with a request that the lock be approved for use. The Director may require submission of the lock for testing prior to approval.

(f) Additional security.

Where the regional director (compliance) finds the construction, arrangement, equipment, or protection inadequate, additional security shall be provided (i.e., fences, flood lights, alarm systems, guard services) or changes in construction, arrangement, or equipment shall be made to be extent necessary to protect the revenue.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended, 1410, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178, 5682); sec. 806, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 279 (26 U.S.C. 5202))

§19.282 Breaking Government locks.

Where affixed, Government locks shall not be removed without the authorization of the area supervisor or an ATF officer, except where a person or property is in imminent danger from a disaster or other emergency. When a disaster or other emergency occurs, and it is impractical to first obtain authorization from an ATF officer, Government locks may be removed, by the proprietor, or by police or firefighters. When such action is taken, the proprietor shall see that security measures are taken to prevent illegal removal of spirits and, as soon as practical, shall notify the area supervisor of the action taken and submit within 5 days a written report, executed under the penalties of perjury, describing the emergency and the action.

(Sec. 806, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 279 (26 U.S.C. 5202))

Subpart J--Production

§19.311 Notice by proprietor.

(a) Commencement of operations.

The proprietor shall, before commencing production operations or resuming production operations after having given notice of suspension, file a notice on Form 5110.34 with the area supervisor, specifying the date on which he desires to commence or resume operations for the production of spirits. The notice shall be filed in accordance with the instructions on the form. The proprietor shall not commence or resume operations prior to the time specified in the notice.

(b) Suspension of operations.

Any proprietor desiring to suspend production operations for a period of 90 days or more shall file notice on Form 5110.34 with the area supervisor specifying the date on which he will suspend operations. The notice shall be filed in accordance with instructions on the form. In case of an accident which makes it apparent that operations cannot be conducted for 90 days or more, the proprietor shall give immediate notice of suspension on Form 5110.34.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1364, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5221))

§19.312 Receipt of materials.

The quantities of fermenting and distilling materials (including nonpotable chemical mixtures containing spirits produced in accordance with §19.67), and of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and spirits residues, for redistillation, received on bonded premises shall be determined by the proprietor, and reported as provided in subpart W of this part. Fermented material (except apple cider exempt from tax under 26 U.S.C. 5042(a)(1)) to be used in the production of spirits shall be produced on the bonded premises where used or must be received on the premises from (a) a bonded wine cellar, in the case of wine, or (b) a contiguous brewery where produced, in the case of beer.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1365, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5222, 5223))

§19.313 Use of materials in production of spirits.

The proprietor may produce spirits from any suitable material in accordance with statements of production procedure in his notice of registration. The distillation of nonpotable chemical mixtures received pursuant to application as provided in §19.67 shall be deemed to be the original and continuous distillation of the spirits in such mixtures and to constitute the production of spirits. Materials from which alcohol will not be produced may be used in production only if the use of the materials is described in approved statements of production procedure.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5178))

§19.314 Removal of fermenting material.

Material received for use as fermenting material may be removed from or used on bonded premises for other purposes. A record of use or removal shall be kept as provided in subpart W of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.315 Removal or destruction of distilling material.

Except as provided in this section, distilling material shall not be removed from bonded premises before being distilled. The proprietor may remove mash, wort, wash or other distilling material--

(a) to plant premises, other than bonded premises for use in such businesses as may be authorized under §19.72; (b) to other premises for use in processes not involving the production of (1) spirits, (2) alcoholic beverages, or (3) vinegar by the vaporizing process; or (c) for destruction. The residue of distilling material not introduced into the production system may be removed from the premises if the liquid is expressed from the material before removal and such liquid is not received at any distilled spirits plant or bonded wine cellar. Residue of beer used as distilling material may be returned to the producing brewery. Distilling material produced and wine and beer received for use as distilling material may be destroyed. A record of removal or destruction shall be kept as provided in subpart W of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1365, as amended, 1381, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5222, 5370))

§19.316 Distillation.

The distillation of spirits shall be such that the spirits pass through a continuous system from the first still or other production equipment where access to the system would constitute a jeopardy to the revenue until the production of the spirits is completed. The distiller may, in the course of production, convey the product through as many distilling or other production operations as desired, provided the operations are continuous. Distilling operations are continuous when the spirits are conveyed through the various steps of production as expeditiously as plant operation will permit. The collection of unfinished spirits for the purpose of redistillation is not deemed to be a break in the continuity of the distilling procedure. However, the quantity and proof of any unfinished spirits produced from distilling materials, the quantity of which was ascertained in the manner authorized in §19.732(c) for such materials, shall be determined and recorded before any mingling with other materials or before any further operations involving the unfinished spirits outside the continuous system. Spirits may be held, prior to the

production gauge, only for so long as is reasonably necessary to complete the production procedure.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended, 1362, as amended, 1365, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178, 5211, 5222))

§19.317 Treatment during production.

Spirits may, in the course of original and continuous distillation, be purified or refined through, or by use of, any material which will not remain incorporated in the finished product. Juniper berries and other natural aromatics, or the extracted oils of such, may be used in the distillation of gin. Spirits may be percolated through or treated with oak chips which have not been treated with any chemical. Materials used in treatment of spirits, and which do not remain in the spirits, shall be destroyed or so treated as to preclude the extraction of potable spirits therefrom.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.318 Addition of caramel to rum or brandy and addition of oak chips to spirits.

Caramel possessing no material sweetening properties may be added to rum or brandy on bonded premises prior to production gauge. Oak chips which have not been treated with any chemical may be added to packages prior to or after production gauge; however, notation to that effect shall be made on the record of production gauge as provided in §19.319.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.319 Production gauge.

(a) General.

All spirits shall be gauged by determining quantity and proof within a reasonable time after production is completed. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, quantities may be determined by volume or by weight, by approved meter, or, when approved by the Director, by other devices or methods which accurately determine the quantities. If caramel is added to brandy or rum, the proof of the spirits shall be determined after the addition. Spirits in each receiving tank shall be gauged before reduction in proof and both before and after each removal of spirits therefrom. The gauges shall be recorded by the proprietor in the records required by §19.736.

(b) *Tax to be determined on production gauge.*

Tax may be determined on the basis of the production gauge if:

- (1) Spirits are weighed into bulk conveyances;
- (2) Spirits are uniformly filled by weight into metal packages; or
- (3) Spirits are filled by weight into packages for immediate withdrawal from bonded premises and the details of the gauge for each package are recorded on a package gauge record according to §19.769.

Transaction records shall be marked "Withdrawal on Production Gauge."

(c) *Tax not to be determined on production gauge.*

If spirits are drawn from the production system into barrels, drums, or similar portable containers of the same rated capacity and the containers are filled to capacity, and the tax is not to be determined on the basis of the production gauge, the gauge may be made by:

- (1) Weighing in a tank, converting the weight into proof gallons, and determining the average content of each container; or
- (2) Measuring volumetrically, in a calibrated tank, converting the wine gallons determined into proof gallons, and determining therefrom the average content of each container; or
- (3) Converting the rated capacity into proof gallons to determine the average content of each container; or
- (4) Determining by a device or method approved under the provisions of paragraph (a) of this section, the total quantity filled into containers, and determining therefrom the average content of each container. Rated capacity of new cooperage shall be as prescribed by specifications of the manufacturer, or in the case of used cooperage, as determined by the proprietor.
- (d) *Records of production gauge*. In computing the production gauge on the basis of average content of packages as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, fractional proof gallons shall be rounded to the nearest one-tenth and the average content so determined and the number of packages filled shall be used in computing the quantity produced. A separate gauge record, as prescribed in §19.768, shall be prepared for each lot of packages filled (see §19.593(b)) and for each removal by pipeline or bulk conveyance for deposit in bond on the same plant premises. The gauge record shall indicate "Deposit in storage" or "Deposit in processing." If spirits are to be transferred in bond, or withdrawn from bond, as authorized by this part, the production gauge shall be made on the form or record required by this part for the transaction (accompanied by a package gauge record, if required). Each transaction form or record and each package gauge record, if any, shall show:
- (1) The real name (or basic operating name as provided in §19.280) of the producer, and, if the spirits are produced under a trade name, the trade name under which produced.
- (2) For each remnant container, the actual proof gallons in the container.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended, 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204, 5211))

§19.320 Identification of spirits.

At the time of production gauge, containers of spirits shall be identified by the proprietor in accordance with subpart R of this part. When the proprietor desires to enter spirits into bonded storage for subsequent packaging in wooden packages, he may identify such spirits with the specific designation to which they would be entitled if drawn into wooden packages, followed by the word "Designate," for example, "Bourbon Whisky Designate."

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5206))

§19.321 Entry.

Pursuant to the production gauge, the proprietor shall make appropriate entry for (a) deposit of the spirits on bonded premises for storage or processing, (b) withdrawal of the spirits on determination of tax, (c) withdrawal of the spirits free of tax, (d) withdrawal of the spirits without payment of tax, or (e) transfer of the spirits for redistillation. Entry for deposit on the bonded premises of the same plant premises shall be made on a gauge record, prepared according to §19.768. When spirits are entered for deposit on another plant premises or are entered for withdrawal or redistillation, the applicable provisions of subpart K or subpart P of this part shall be followed.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5211))

§19.322 Distillates containing extraneous substances.

(a) Use in production.

Distillates containing substantial quantities of fusel oil, aldehydes, or other extraneous substances may be removed from the distilling system prior to the production gauge for addition to fermenting or distilling material at the distillery where produced. Distillates removed from the distilling system under the provisions of this paragraph shall be added promptly to the fermenting or distilling material.

(b) Use at bonded wine cellar.

Distillates containing aldehydes may be removed, without payment of tax, to an adjacent bonded wine cellar for use therein for fermentation of wine to be used as distilling material at the distilled spirits plant from which the distillates were removed. The gauge and removal of distillates to an adajcent bonded wine cellar shall be in accordance with applicable provisions of subpart P of this part relating to withdrawal of wine spirits for use in wine production and the receipt and use of such distillates at an adjacent bonded wine cellar shall be in accordance with the provisions of 27 CFR part 240.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1365, as amended, 1382, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5222, 5373))

Formula

§19.324 Statement of production procedure or Form 5110.38.

- (a) A statement of production procedure is required as provided in §19.170 for the production of spirits from original sources or substances.
- (b) As provided in 27 CFR 5.27, an approved formula on Form 5110.38 is required for the redistillation of spirits in the production account.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1365, as amended, 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5222, 5223, 5555))

Chemical By-Products

§19.326 Spirits content of chemicals produced.

All chemicals produced, including chemical by-products of the spirits production system, shall be substantially free of spirits before being removed from bonded premises. Except

as authorized by the Director, the spirits content of such chemicals to be removed from bonded premises shall not exceed 10 percent by volume. Proprietors shall test chemicals for spirits content. Records of the tests will be maintained according to §19.736.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.327 Disposition of chemicals.

Chemicals meeting the requirements in §19.326 may be removed from bonded premises by pipeline or in such containers as the proprietor may desire. The quantities of such chemicals removed from bonded premises shall be determined by the proprietor and records of removals maintained according to §19.736. Packages of such chemicals shall be appropriately marked by the proprietor to show the nature of the contents. Samples of such chemicals may be secured by ATF officers.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1365, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5222))

§19.328 Wash water.

Water used in washing chemicals to remove spirits therefrom may be run into a wash tank or a distilling material tank, or otherwise properly destroyed or disposed of on the premises.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended, 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008, 5201))

Inventories

§19.329 Production inventories.

Each distiller shall take a physical inventory of the spirits and denatured spirits in tanks and other vessels in the production account at the close of each calendar quarter and at such other times as the regional director (compliance) may require. The inventory shall show separately spirits and denatured spirits received for redistillation.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Subpart K--Redistillation

§19.331 General.

Distillers or processors may redistill spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and spirits residues. Certain products may only be redistilled pursuant to an approved formula on Form 5110.38, as specified in 27 CFR 5.27.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1365, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5223))

§19.332 Receipts for redistillation.

Proprietors may receive and redistill spirits or denatured spirits which (a) have not been removed from bond; (b) have been withdrawn from bond on payment or determination of tax, and are eligible for return to bond as provided in subpart U of this part; (c) have been withdrawn from bond free of tax or without payment of tax, and are eligible for return to bond as provided in subpart U; or (d) have been abandoned to the United States and sold to the proprietor without the payment of tax. Proprietors may also receive and redistill recovered denatured spirits and recovered articles returned under

the provisions of §19.683, and articles and spirits residues received under the provisions of §19.684.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1365, as amended 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5223, 5243); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5215))

§19.333 Redistillation.

Spirits shall not be redistilled at a proof lower than that prescribed for the class and type at which such spirits were originally produced, unless the redistilled spirits are to be used in wine production, to be used in the manufacture of gin or vodka, or to be designated as alcohol. Different kinds of spirits must be redistilled separately, or with distilling material of the same kind or type as that from which the spirits were originally produced. However, such restriction shall not apply when (a) brandy is redistilled into "spirits-fruit" or "neutral spirits-fruit" (not for use in wine production), (b) whiskey is distilled into "spirits-grain" or "neutral spirits-grain", (c) spirits originally distilled from different kinds of material are redistilled into "spirits-mixed" or "neutral spirits-mixed", or (d) the spirits are redistilled into alcohol. All spirits redistilled subsequent to production gauge shall be treated the same as if such spirits had been originally produced by the redistiller and all provisions of this part and 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 (including liability for tax attaching to spirits at the time of production) applicable to the original production of spirits shall be applicable thereto, except that spirits recovered by redistillation of denatured spirits, articles, or spirits residues may not be withdrawn from bonded premises except for industrial use or after denaturation thereof. Nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting any provision of this chapter or of 27 CFR part 5 relating to the labeling of distilled spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1365, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5223); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5215))

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Subpart L--Storage

§19.341 General.

Proprietors who are qualified as warehousemen as provided in this part, and who have otherwise complied with the requirements of this part for the storage of bulk distilled spirits and wines, shall conduct such operations pursuant to the provisions of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.342 Receipt and storage of bulk spirits and wines.

(a) *Deposit*.

All spirits entered for deposit in the storage account after production as provided in subpart J shall be deposited on the bonded premises designated in the entry for deposit. Spirits withdrawn from customs custody without payment of tax under the provisions of this part shall be received on the bonded premises to which so withdrawn and (unless to be immediately redistilled) shall be deposited on such premises. Spirits transferred in bond as provided in subpart P shall be deposited on the bonded premises designated on the transfer record.

(b) Tanks.

If spirits or wines are being deposited in a partially filled tank in storage on bonded premises, simultaneous withdrawals may not be made therefrom unless the flow of spirits or wines into and out of the tank isbeing measured by meters or other devices approved by the regional director (compliance) which permit a determination of the quantity being deposited and the quantity being removed. Proprietors shall maintain records of spirits or wines in tanks in accordance with subpart W of this part.

(c) Storage.

Spirits or wines may be held in the storage account in tanks or portable bulk containers on the bonded premises. When used for such storage, containers shall be kept so that they can be readily inspected or inventoried by ATF officers.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1362, as amended, 1366, as amended, 1398, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5211, 5212, 5232, 5601); sec. 806(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 279 (26 U.S.C. 5202); sec. 807(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 286 (26 U.S.C. 5231))

§19.343 Addition of oak chips to spirits and addition of caramel to brandy and rum.

Oak chips which have not been treated with any chemical may be added to packages either prior to or after filling. When oak chips are added to packages, notation of such fact shall be made on all transaction records. Caramel possessing no material sweetening properties may be added to rum or brandy in packages or tanks.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Filling and Changing Packages

§19.344 Filling of packages from tanks.

Spirits or wines may be drawn into packages from storage tanks on bonded premises. The spirits or wines in the tank shall be gauged prior to filling of packages, and when only a portion of the contents of the tank is packaged, the spirits or wines remaining in the tank shall be again gauged and such gauges shall be recorded by the proprietor in records required by §§19.740 and 19.768. The provisions of §19.319 regarding the filling of packages and the taking of production gauges of packages shall be applicable to the filling and gauging of packages of spirits under this section.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.345 Change of packages.

Spirits or wines in storage may be transferred from one package to another. Except in the case of spirits of 190 degrees or more proof, each new package shall contain spirits from only one package. Packages shall be marked as provided in subpart R of this part. In the case of wines, each package shall bear the same marks as the package from which the wine was transferred.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Mingling or Blending of Spirits

§19.346 Mingling or blending of spirits for further storage.

The following mingling or blending operations are permissible in the storage account of a

warehouseman:

(a) Mingling of spirits distilled at 190 degrees or more of proof.

Spirits distilled at 190 degrees or more of proof, whether or not subsequently reduced, may be mingled in storage.

(b) Mingling of spirits distilled at less than 190 degrees of proof.

Spirits distilled at less than 190 degrees of proof may be mingled for withdrawal or further storage if--

- (1) In the case of domestic spirits:
 - (i) Such spirits are of the same kind; and
 - (ii) Such spirits were produced in the same State.
- (2) In the case of imported spirits:
 - (i) Such spirits are of the same kind;
 - (ii) Such spirits were produced in the same foreign country; and
 - (iii) Such spirits were treated, blended, or compounded in the same foreign country and the duty was paid at the same rate.
- (3) In the case of imported spirits which are recognized as distinctive products in 27 CFR part 5:
 - (i) Such spirits are of the same kind;
 - (ii) Such spirits were produced by the same proprietor in the same foreign country; and
 - (iii) Such spirits were treated, blended, or compounded by the same proprietor in the same foreign country and the duty was paid at the same rate.
- (c) *Permissible blending of beverage rums or brandies.*

Fruit brandies distilled from the same kind of fruit at not more than 170 degrees of proof may, for the sole purpose of perfecting such brandies according to commercial standards, be blended with each other, or with any blend of such fruit brandies in storage. Rums may, for the sole purpose of perfecting them according to commercial standards, be blended with each other, or with any blend of rums.

(d) Packaging of mingled spirits or blended rums and brandies.

Packaging after mingling or blending shall be conducted under the provisions of §19.344. If so desired, the mingled or blended spirits may be returned to the packages from which they were dumped for mingling or blending, or as many of such packages as are necessary.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5214))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-259, 52 FR 41423, Oct. 28, 1987]

§19.347 Packages dumped for mingling.

When dumping packages of spirits of less than 190 degrees of proof for mingling in the storage account, the proprietor shall record such mingling on the tank record prescribed in §19.742 covering such tank. When packages of spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof are to be mingled, the proprietor shall record such mingling in the tank summary record prescribed in §19.743 for all tanks of spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof. Each package of spirits to be mingled under this subpart shall be examined by the proprietor, and if any package bears evidence of loss due to theft or unauthorized voluntary destruction, such package shall not be dumped until the area supervisor has been notified.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.348 Determining age of mingled spirits.

When spirits are mingled, the age of the spirits for the entire lot shall be the age of the youngest spirits contained in the lot.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.349 Mingled spirits or wines held in tanks.

When spirits of less than 190 degrees of proof or wines are mingled in a tank, the proprietor shall gauge the spirits or wines in the tank and record the mingling gauge on the tank record prescribed in §19.742.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Inventories

§19.353 Storage inventories.

Each warehouseman shall take a physical inventory of all spirits and wines held in the storage account in tanks and other vessels (except packages) at the close of each calendar quarter and at such other times as the regional director (compliance) may require. The inventory shall separately identify spirits and wines. The results of the inventory shall be recorded in accordance with subpart W of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Subpart M--Processing Operations Other Than Denaturation and Manufacture of Articles

§19.371 General.

Proprietors, who are qualified as processors as provided in this part, shall conduct operations relating to the manufacture, treatment, mixing or bottling of distilled spirits on bonded premises pursuant to the provisions of this subpart. Proprietors, who conduct operations relating to the denaturation of spirits or the manufacture of articles on bonded premises, pursuant to the provisions of subpart N of this part, shall be qualified as processors.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Receipt and Use of Spirits, Wines and Alcoholic Flavoring Materials

§19.372 Receipt of spirits, wines, and alcoholic flavoring materials for processing.

- (a) Proprietors may receive into the processing account--
 - (1) Bulk spirits (i) from the production or storage account at the same plant, (ii) by transfer in bond from another distilled spirits plant, or (iii) on withdrawal from customs custody under 26 U.S.C. 5232;
 - (2) Wines (i) from the storage account at the same plant, or (ii) by transfer in bond from a bonded wine cellar or another distilled spirits plant;
 - (3) Spirits returned to bond under the provisions of 26 U.S.C. 5215; or
 - (4) Alcoholic flavoring materials.
- (b) Spirits and wines received in bulk containers or conveyances shall be recorded as dumped on receipt, but may be retained in the containers or conveyances in which received until used. Spirits and wines received by pipeline shall be deposited in tanks, gauged by the proprietor, and recorded as dumped. Alcoholic flavoring materials may be retained in the containers in which received or may be transferred to another container if the proprietor marks or otherwise indicates thereon, the full identification of the original container, the date of receipt, and the quantity deposited. Alcoholic flavoring materials and nonalcoholic ingredients shall be considered dumped when mixed with spirits or wines. The proof gallon content of spirits, wines, and alcoholic flavoring materials shall be determined at the time of dumping.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.373 Use of spirits, wines and alcoholic flavoring materials.

A proprietor shall prepare a dump/batch record according to §19.748 for spirits, wines, alcoholic flavoring materials, and nonalcoholic ingredients used in the manufacture of a distilled spirits product as follows:

(a) Dump record.

When spirits, wines, or alcoholic flavoring materials are dumped for use in the manufacture of a distilled spirits product, and when spirits are dumped for redistillation in the processing account, the proprietor shall prepare a dump record.

(b) *Batch record*.

The proprietor shall prepare a batch record to report:

- (1) The dumping of spirits which are to be used immediately and in their entirety in preparing a batch of a product manufactured under an approved formula:
- (2) The use of spirits or wines previously dumped, reported on dump records and retained in tanks or receptacles; and
- (3) Any combination of ingredients in paragraphs (b)(1) and (2) of this section used in preparing a batch of a product manufactured under an approved formula.

§19.374 Manufacture of nonbeverage products, intermediate products, or eligible flavors.

Distilled spirits and wine may be used for the manufacture of flavors or flavoring extracts of a nonbeverage nature as intermediate products to be used exclusively in the manufacture of other distilled spirits products on bonded premises. Nonbeverage products on which drawback will be claimed, as provided in 26 U.S.C. 5131-5134, may not be manufactured on bonded premises. Premises used for the manufacture of nonbeverage products on which drawback will be claimed must be separated from bonded premises. For purposes of computing an effective tax rate, flavors manufactured on either the bonded or general premises of a distilled spirits plant are not eligible flavors.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

[T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18063, Apr. 30, 1990]

Obscuration

§19.376 Determining obscuration.

Proprietors may determine the proof obsecuration as prescribed in 27 CFR §30.32 of spirits to be bottled on the basis of a representative sample taken: (a) from a storage tank incident to the transfer of the spirits to the processing account, or (b) from a tank after the spirits have been dumped for processing, whether or not combined with other alcoholic ingredients. The obscuration shall be determined after the sample has been reduced to within one degree of the proof at which the spirits will be bottled. Only water may be added to a lot of spirits to be bottled for which the determination of proof obscuration is made from a sample under this section. The proof obscuration for products gauged pursuant to this section shall be frequently verified by testing samples taken from bottling tanks prior to commencement of bottling.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204))

Formulas

§19.378 Formula requirements.

An approved formula on ATF Form 5110.38 must be secured for spirits for domestic use or export as provided in 27 CFR 5.26--5.27 before processors may blend, mix, purify, refine, compound or treat spirits in any manner which results in a change of character, composition, class or type of the spirits including redistillation as provided in §19.331, and the production of gin or vodka by other than original and continuous distillation.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5555))

Bottling, Packaging, and Removal of Products

§19.381 Removals from processing.

Spirits shall not be transferred from processing to the storage account. Processors may remove--

(a) Spirits upon tax determination or withdrawal under the provisions of 26 U.S.C.

5214 or 26 U.S.C. 7510;

- (b) Spirits to the production account at the same plant for redistillation;
- (c) Bulk spirits by transfer in bond to the production or the processing account at another distilled spirits plant for redistillation or further processing;
- (d) Spirits or wines for authorized voluntary destruction; or
- (e) Wines by transfer in bond to a bonded wine cellar or to another distilled spirits plant. However, wine may not be removed from the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant for consumption or sale as wine. Spirits may be bottled and cased for removal. Spirits or wines may be removed in any approved bulk container, by pipeline or in bulk conveyances on compliance with the provisions of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1314, as amended, 1320, as amended, 1323, as amended, 1356, as amended, 1360, as amended, 1362, as amended, 1365, as amended, 1380, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5001, 5006, 5008, 5201, 5206, 5212, 5214, 5223, 5362))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-230, 51 FR 21748, June 16, 1986]

§19.382 Bottling tanks.

All spirits shall be bottled from tanks listed and certified as accurately calibrated in the notice of registration. However, the regional director (compliance) may authorize bottling from original packages or special containers where it is impracticable to use a bottling tank. Bottlers desiring to bottle from packages or special containers shall file notice with the area supervisor. The notice shall show the necessity for the operations.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.383 Bottling tank gauge.

When a distilled spirits product is to be bottled or packaged, the proprietor shall gauge the product, on completion of any filtering, reduction, or other treatment, and prior to commencement of bottling or packaging. Any gauge made under this section shall be made at labeling or package marking proof while the product is in the tank from which it is to be bottled or packaged, and the details of the gauge shall be entered on the bottling and packaging record prescribed in §19.749.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.384 Preparation of bottling or packaging record.

The proprietor shall prepare a record for each batch of spirits bottled or packaged according to the specifications in §19.749.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.385 Labels to agree with contents of tanks and containers.

Labels affixed to containers shall agree in every respect with the spirits in the tanks from which the containers were filled. If they do not the proprietor shall relabel such spirits with a proper label. The proprietor's records shall be such that they will enable ATF officers to readily determine, by case or package serial number, which label was used on any given filled container.

§19.386 Alcohol content and fill.

(a) General.

- (1) At representative intervals during bottling operations, proprietors shall test and examine bottled spirits to determine whether those spirits agree in alcohol content and quantity (fill) with that stated on the label or bottle.
- (2) If the regional director (compliance) finds that a proprietor's test procedures do not protect the revenue and ensure label accuracy of the bottled product, the regional director may require corrective measures.

(b) Variations in alcohol content and fill.

The proprietor shall rebottle, recondition, or relabel spirits if the bottle contents do not agree with the respective data on the label or bottle as to:

- (1) Quantity (fill), except for such variation as may occur in filling conducted in compliance with good commercial practice with an overall objective of maintaining 100 percent fill for spirits bottled; and/or
- (2) Alcohol content, subject to a normal drop in alcohol content which may occur during bottling operations not to exceed:
 - (i) 0.25 percent alcohol by volume for products containing solids in excess of 600 mg per 100 ml, or
 - (ii) 0.25 percent alcohol by volume for all spirits products bottled in 50 or 100 ml size bottles, or
 - (iii) 0.15 percent alcohol by volume for all other spirits and bottle sizes.

For example, a product with a solids content of less than 600 mg per 100 ml, labeled as containing 40 percent alcohol by volume and bottled in a 750 ml bottle, would be acceptable if the test for alcohol content found that it contained 39.85 percent alcohol by volume.

(c) Records.

Proprietors shall record the results of all tests of alcohol content and quantity (fill) in the record required by §19.750.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1394, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5301)

[51 FR 36395, Oct. 10, 1986, as amended by T.D. ATF-288, 54 FR 47770, Nov. 17, 1989]

§19.387 Completion of bottling.

When the contents of a bottling tank are not completely bottled at the close of the day, the bottler shall make entries on the bottling and packaging record covering the total quantity bottled that day from the tank. Entries shall be made not later than the morning of the following business day unless the bottler maintains auxiliary or supplemental records as provided in §19.731.

§19.388 Cases.

(a) General.

- (1) On completion of bottling, the filled bottles with labels and properly affixed closures or other devices shall be placed in cases, and the cases shall be sealed.
- (2) Each case of spirits filled shall be marked as prescribed by subpart R of this part before removal from such premises.

(b) Unsealed cases.

- (1) Cases may be temporarily retained on bonded premises without being sealed pending the affixing to bottles of any required labels, State stamps, or seals.
- (2) Unsealed cases containing bottles without labels shall be marked in accordance with subpart R of this part, and segregated from other cases on bonded premises pending affixing of the labels, State stamps, or seals.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5206))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23951, June 7, 1985]

§19.389 Remnants.

Where incident to bottling there remain bottles less than the number necessary to fill a case, the bottles, after being affixed with closures or other devices and labeled, may be marked as a remnant case as provided in subpart R of this part or kept uncased on the bonded premises until spirits of the same kind are again bottled. Appropriate notation shall be made on the bottling and packaging record to cover the bottling and disposition of the remnant. If the remnant is subsequently used to complete the filling of a case, an accounting shall be made on the subsequent bottling and packaging record showing the use of the remnant by adding the remnant gallonage to the quantity to be accounted for together with appropriate notation explaining the transactions.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5206))

[T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23951, June 7, 1985]

§19.390 Filling packages.

Spirits may be drawn into packages from a tank (conforming to the requirements of §19.273). Such packages shall be gauged by the proprietor, and he shall report the details of such gauge on a package gauge record, according to §19.769, and attach a copy of the package gauge record to each copy of the bottling and packaging record covering the product. Such packages shall be marked as prescribed by subpart R of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.391 Removals by bulk conveyances or pipelines.

When the spirits in the processing accounts are to be removed in bulk conveyances or

by pipeline, the proprietor shall record the filling of the conveyance or the transfer by pipeline on the bottling and packaging record. The spirits shall be removed from bonded premises in accordance with subpart P of this part. The cosignor shall forward to the consignee a statement of composition or a copy of any formula under which such spirits were processed for determining the proper use of the spirits, or for the labeling of the finished product. Bulk conveyances shall be marked as provided in subpart R of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

[T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23951, June 7, 1985]

§19.392 Rebottling.

When the spirits are dumped for rebottling, the proprietor shall prepare a bottling and packaging record, appropriately modified. If the spirits were originally bottled by another proprietor, a statement from the original bottler consenting to the rebottling must be secured by the proprietor.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.393 Reclosing and relabeling.

The proprietor may reclose or relabel distilled spirits, either before removal from bonded premises or after return thereto. The reclosing or relabeling of spirits returned to bonded premises shall be done immediately, and the spirits promptly removed. When spirits were originally bottled by another proprietor, the relabeling proprietor shall have on file a statement from the original bottler consenting to the relabeling. When spirits are relabeled, the proprietor shall have a certificate of label approval or certificate of exemption from label approval issued under 27 CFR part 5 for labels used on relabeled spirits. The proprietor shall prepare a separate record according to §19.747 to cover the relabeling or reclosing. For spirits returned to bond under 26 U.S.C. 5215(c), the proprietor shall annotate such information on the record.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5205); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 280 (26 U.S.C. 5215))

IT.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23951, June 7, 19851

§19.394 Bottled-in-bond spirits.

Spirits which are labeled as bottled-in-bond for domestic consumption shall meet the requirements in 27 CFR part 5 and shall bear a closure or other device as required by subpart T of this part.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1512-0189)

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

[T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23951, June 7, 1985]

§19.395 Labels for export spirits.

All bottles containing spirits bottled for export shall have securely affixed thereto a label showing the following:

(a) Kind of spirits;

- (b) Percent-alcohol-by-volume of the spirits:
- (c) Net contents, unless the markings on the bottle indicate such contents; and
- (d) The name (or, if desired, the trade name) of the bottler.

The bottler may place on the label any additional information that he may desire if it is not inconsistent with the required information. The label information may be stated in the language of the country to which the spirits are to be exported provided the proprietor maintains on file an English translation of the information. The net contents and proof may be stated in the units of measurement of the foreign country provided the proprietor maintains a record of the equivalent units as they would be required to be expressed if bottled for domestic consumption. The Director may waive the requirement of showing any of the information required by this section, other than the kind of spirits, upon a showing that the country to which the spirits are to be exported prohibits the showing of such information. With respect to kind of spirits, the Director may waive the designation required by 27 CFR 5.22, only to the extent that the label need not bear the word "diluted" on distilled spirits bottled below the minimum bottling proof, provided this is in accordance with the rules of the countries to which such product is to be exported.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5301))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-237, 51 FR 36395, Oct. 10, 1986; T.D. ATF-283, 54 FR 11704, Mar. 22, 1989]

§19.396 Spirits removed for shipment to Puerto Rico.

Spirits removed for shipment to Puerto Rico with benefit of drawback or without payment of tax under the provisions of 27 CFR part 252 are subject to the provisions of 27 CFR part 5 in respect to labeling requirements and standards of fill for bottles.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.397 Spirits not originally intended for export.

Spirits manufactured, produced, bottled in bottles, packed in containers, or which are packaged in casks or other bulk containers in the United States, originally intended for domestic use may be exported with benefit of drawback or without payment of tax if the cases or bulk containers are marked as required by 27 CFR part 252. The proprietor may relabel the spirits to show any of the information provided for in §19.395. When the proprietor desires to file a claim for drawback on spirits prepared for export under this section, the provisions of 27 CFR 252.195b shall be followed. When the proprietor desires to withdraw spirits without payment of tax, he shall file a notice in accordance with 27 CFR 252.92.

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(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1336, as amended, 1358, as amended, 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5062, 5205, 5214))

[T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23951, June 7, 1985]

§19.398 Alcohol.

(a) Containers.

Subject to the provisions of subpart R of this part, alcohol for industrial use may be put in bottles, packages, or other containers. Proprietors shall comply with the provisions in subpart S of this part when alcohol for nonindustrial domestic use is bottled.

(b) Closures.

Closures or other devices shall be affixed to containers of alcohol as provided in subpart T of this part.

(c) Bottle labels.

All bottles of alcohol for industrial use shall have affixed thereto a label showing "Alcohol" and the name and plant number of the bottler. The bottler may place on the label additional information, if it is not inconsistent with the required information.

(d) Case marks.

Each case of bottled alcohol shall bear the marks prescribed therefor in subpart R of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5206, 5235, 5301))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985]

Records

§19.400 Daily summary record of spirits bottled or packaged.

The proprietor shall maintain a separate daily summary record of spirits bottled or packaged as provided in §19.751.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

Inventories

§19.401 Inventories of wines and bulk spirits (except in packages) in processing account.

Each proprietor shall take a physical inventory of wines and bulk spirits (except in packages) in the processing account at the close of each calendar quarter, and at such other time as the regional director (compliance) may require. The results of the inventory shall be recorded in accordance with subpart W of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.402 Inventories of bottled and packaged spirits.

(a) Physical inventories.

(1) Physical inventories of bottled and packaged spirits in the processing account shall be taken for the return periods ending June 30 and December 31 of each year, and for other return periods as may be required by the regional director (compliance).

- (2) Physical inventories may be taken within a period of a few days before or after June 30 or December 31 (or other dates approved by the regional director (compliance), if:
 - (i) Such period does not include more than one complete weekend; and
 - (ii) Necessary adjustments are made to reflect pertinent transactions, so that the recorded inventories will agree with the actual quantities of bottled or packaged spirits on hand in processing at the prescribed times.
- (3) On approval of an application filed with the regional director (compliance), required physical inventories may be taken on dates other than June 30 and December 31 if the dates established for taking such inventories:
 - (i) Coincide with the end of a return period, and
 - (ii) Are approximately six months apart.
- (4) On approval of the application, the designated inventory dates shall take effect with the first inventory scheduled to be taken within six months of the previous June 30 or December 31 inventory.

(b) Waiver of physical inventory.

- (1) The regional director (compliance), on receipt of an application, may relieve a proprietor of the requirement of taking the June 30 or December 31 physical inventory, (or other date approved under paragraph (a) of this section) if he finds that only one such inventory during any 24 consecutive return periods is necessary.
- (2) The regional director (compliance) may reimpose the requirement for the waived inventory if he finds that it is necessary for law enforcement or protection of the revenue.

(c) Notification of physical inventory.

Whenever a physical inventory of bottled or packaged spirits is to be taken, the proprietor shall, at least 5 business days in advance, notify the area supervisor of the date and time he will take such inventory.

(d) Supervision of physical inventories.

Physical inventories required under the provisions of this section shall be taken under such supervision, or verified in such manner, as the regional director (compliance) may require.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Subpart N--Denaturing Operations and Manufacture of Articles

§19.451 General.

Authorized proprietors who are qualified as processors may conduct denaturing operations or manufacture articles pursuant to the provisions of this part. Proprietors

shall not conduct denaturing operations or manufacture articles except as provided in this part. Records of denaturing operations and the manufacture of articles shall be maintained in accordance with §19.752 and §19.753.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178); sec. 807(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 286 (26 U.S.C. 5241))

Denaturation

§19.452 Formulas.

Spirits shall be denatured in accordance with formulas as authorized in 27 CFR part 21 or their alternatives. Denaturing materials shall be thoroughly mixed with the spirits being denatured.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5242); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 286 (26 U.S.C. 5241))

§19.453 Testing of denaturants.

(a) *Testing*.

Proprietors shall ensure that the materials they receive for use in denaturing conform to the specifications prescribed in 27 CFR part 21. The regional director (compliance) may require the testing of denaturants at any time.

(b) Samples.

Samples of denaturants shall be taken in such manner as to represent a true composite of the total lot being sampled. When samples are tested by persons other than a proprietor, a copy of the analysis or a statement, signed by the chemist performing the test, shall be secured and filed by the proprietor for each test. Samples of denaturants may be taken by ATF officers at any time for testing by Government chemists.

(c) Conformity.

When a denaturant does not conform to the specifications prescribed under 27 CFR part 21, the proprietor shall not use the material unless he treats or manipulates the denaturant to make it conform to such specifications. Such treated or manipulated denaturant shall again be tested.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5242))

§19.454 Gauge for denaturation.

The proprietor shall gauge spirits before denaturation and after denaturation and record each gauge on the record of denaturation as prescribed in §19.752(b). However, spirits dumped from previously gauged containers or spirits transferred directly to mixing tanks from gauge tanks where they were gauged, need not again be gauged. Measurements of spirits and denaturants shall be made by volume, weight, by approved meter, or, when approved by the Director, other devices or methods.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 286 (26 U.S.C. 5241))

§19.455 Dissolving of denaturants.

Denaturants which are difficult to dissolve in spirits at usual working temperatures, which are highly volatile, or which become solid at such usual temperatures may be liquefied or dissolved in a small quantity of spirits or water in advance of their use in the production of specially denatured spirits, pursuant to the prescribed formula, so long as the proof of the denatured spirits manufactured does not fall below the proof prescribed for the applicable formula in 27 CFR part 21. Any spirits used in dissolving denaturants and contained in the resulting solution shall be included as part of the total quantity of spirits denatured in each batch.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5242))

§19.456 Adding denaturants.

Denaturants and spirits shall be mixed in packages, tanks, or bulk conveyances on bonded premises. The regional director (compliance) may, on written application, authorize other methods of mixing denaturants and spirits if he deems such denaturation will not hinder effective administration of this part or jeopardize the revenue. If requested by the regional director (compliance), the proprietor shall submit a flow diagram of the intended process or method of adding denaturants.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5242))

§19.457 Neutralizing denatured spirits.

Proprietors may add trace quantities of compounds such as caustics or acids to certain formulas of denatured spirits to neutralize such spirits, if the intended effect of the denaturants is not reduced. Proprietors who neutralize denatured spirits must record, for each formula the kinds and quantities of compounds used, and the formula number of the denatured spirits neutralized.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5242); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 286 (26 U.S.C. 5241))

§19.458 Restoration and redenaturation of recovered denatured spirits and recovered articles.

Recovered denatured spirits and recovered articles received on bonded premises, as provided in subpart U of this part, for restoration (including redistillation, if necessary) and/or redenaturation may not be withdrawn from bonded premises except for industrial use or after denaturation thereof. If the recovered or restored denatured spirits or recovered articles are to be redenatured and do not require the full amount of denaturants for redenaturation, a notation to that effect will be made on the record of denaturation required by §19.752(b).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5242))

§19.459 Mixing of denatured spirits.

- (a) Denatured spirits produced under the same formula may be mixed on bonded premises.
- (b) Denatured spirits of different formulas may be mixed on bonded premises for immediate redistillation at the same plant or at another plant in accordance with the

provisions of subpart K of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5242); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 286 (26 U.S.C. 5241))

§19.460 Conversion of denatured alcohol formulas.

(a) Conversion of Formula No. 1.

Any specially denatured alcohol, except Formulas No. 3-A and No. 30, may be converted into specially denatured alcohol, Formula No. 1, by the addition of methyl alcohol and either denatonium benzoate, N.F. (BITREX), methyl isobutyl ketone, mixed isomers of nitropropane, or methyl n-butyl ketone in accordance with the formulation prescribed in §21.32 of this chapter. For specially denatured alcohol Formulas No. 3-A and No. 30, the methyl alcohol content shall be reduced to the level prescribed for specially denatured alcohol Formula No. 1 by the addition of ethyl alcohol before adding one of the other ingredients prescribed in §21.32 of this chapter.

(b) Conversion to Formula No. 29.

Any specially denatured alcohol may be converted to specially denatured alcohol, Formula No. 29, by the addition of acetaldehyde or ethyl acetate, in accordance with the formulations prescribed in 27 CFR 21.56.

(c) General rule.

In addition to the conversions provided in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, any specially denatured alcohol may be converted to another specially denatured alcohol formula, if the resultant alcohol-denaturant mixture contains only the alcohol and denaturant or denaturants in the proportions authorized in 27 CFR part 21 for the formula to which converted. Specially denatured alcohol which is converted under this paragraph may only be used as authorized in 27 CFR part 21 for the formula to which converted.

(d) Conditions governing conversion and use.

The quantities of denaturants required for conversions authorized in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall be determined on the basis of the alcohol in the formulations. Specially denatured alcohol converted to Formula No. 29 may be used as authorized in 27 CFR 21.56(b) except that it shall not be used in the manufacture of vinegar, drugs, or medicinal chemicals, and the conditions governing use provided in 27 CFR 21.56(c) shall apply.

(e) Conversion to other formulations.

Proprietors desiring to convert specially denatured alcohol other than as provided in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of this section shall obtain approval from the Director prior to such conversion.

(f) Conversion to completely denatured alcohol.

Any specially denatured alcohol not containing methanol or wood alcohol may be converted to any one of the completely denatured alcohol formulas, prescribed in 27

CFR part 21, by adding the required denaturants.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5242))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9160, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.461 Receipt and storage of denatured spirits.

(a) Deposit.

Denatured spirits produced, received in bond as provided in subpart P or returned to bonded premises as provided in subpart U of this part, shall be deposited on the bonded premises.

(b) Tanks.

Proprietors shall maintain a record in accordance with §19.752 for tanks in which denatured spirits are stored.

(c) Storage.

Denatured spirits may be stored on bonded premises in any container into which denatured spirits may be filled on bonded premises. Such containers shall be so stored that they can be readily inspected by ATF officers and inventoried. The provisions of §19.133 are applicable to storage of denatured spirits in portable containers. However, upon application, the regional director (compliance) may authorize the proprietor to store packages and cases in any manner which safeguards the interests of the Government.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.462 Filling of containers from tanks.

Denatured spirits may be drawn into portable containers from tanks on bonded premises. The denatured spirits in the tanks shall be gauged prior to filling of the containers, and when only a portion of the contents of the tank is drawn into containers, the denatured spirits remaining in the tank shall be again gauged and such gauges shall be recorded by the proprietor. The provisions of paragraph (a) and (c) of §19.319 shall be applicable to the filling and gauging of portable containers, and denatured spirits may be withdrawn from bonded premises for any lawful purpose on the filling gauge.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.463 Containers for denatured spirits.

Packaging of denatured spirits and the marking of portable containers of such denatured spirits shall be in accordance with requirements of subpart R of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

Inventories

§19.464 Denatured spirits inventories.

Each proprietor shall take a physical inventory of all denatured spirits in the processing account at the close of each calendar quarter and at such other times as the regional

director (compliance) may require. The results of the inventory shall be recorded as provided in subpart W of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Articles

§19.471 Manufacture of articles.

Proprietors shall manufacture, label, mark, and dispose of articles as provided in 27 CFR part 20.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1372, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5273))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9160, Mar. 6, 1985]

Subpart O--Spirits from Customs Custody

§19.481 General.

Spirits imported or brought into the United States in bulk containers may be withdrawn by proprietors from customs custody and transferred in such bulk containers or by pipeline without payment of tax to the bonded premises of their distilled spirits plant. Spirits received on bonded premises as provided in this section may be (a) redistilled or denatured only if 185 degrees or more of proof, and (b) withdrawn for any purpose authorized by 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, in the same manner as domestic spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1366, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5232))

§19.482 Age and fill date.

For the purpose of this part, the age and fill date for spirits that are imported or brought into the United States shall be:

(a) *Age*.

The claimed age, which is supported by the documentation required in 27 CFR part 5.

(b) *Fill date*.

The date that packages of spirits are released from customs custody or filled on bonded premises.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.483 Recording gauge.

(a) When packages of spirits are received from customs custody in the storage account, the proprietor shall use the last official gauge to compute and record on the deposit records prescribed in §19.740 for each entry the average content of the packages being received which shall also provide the basis for entries on the package summary records prescribed in §19.741. If the last official gauge indicates a substantial variation in the contents of the packages, the proprietor shall group the packages into lots according to their approximate contents, and assign a separate lot identification to each group of packages, based on the date the packages were

received on bonded premises.

(b) When packages of spirits are received from customs custody in the processing account, the proprietor shall determine the proof gallons of spirits received in each package. The determination may be made by use of the last official gauge.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5232))

Imported Spirits

§19.484 Marks on containers of imported spirits.

(a) General.

Each portable bulk container of spirits shall, when received on bonded premises under the provisions of §19.481, or when filled on bonded premises, be marked with:

- (1) The name of the importer;
- (2) The country of origin;
- (3) The kind of spirits;
- (4) The package identification number as provided in §19.593 or the package serial number as provided in §19.594;
- (5) If filled on bonded premises, the date of fill;
- (6) The proof; and
- (7) The proof gallons of spirits in the package. Package identification numbers or package serial numbers shall be preceded by the symbol "IMP" and any distinguishing prefix or suffix used as provided in §19.594. The proprietor who receives packages of imported spirits under the provisions of §19.481 shall be responsible for having the required marks placed on such packages. Package identification numbers assigned under the provisions of this section to packages of spirits received from customs custody shall be recorded on the deposit records by the proprietor who receives the spirits.

(b) Exception.

Proprietors are relieved from placing prescribed marks on packages when the spirits will be removed from the packages within 30 days of the date of receipt at the distilled spirits plant. Packages not dumped as provided in this paragraph within the time prescribed must be promptly marked in the manner required by §19.595. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to waive, or authorize the waiver of, the requirements of this part for the assigning of package identification numbers or for the recording of such package identification numbers on deposit records, and the required recording of lot identification numbers and related information on other transaction forms, records, or reports.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

Puerto Rican and Virgin Islands Spirits

§19.485 Marks on containers of Puerto Rican and Virgin Islands spirits.

(a) Packages received in bond.

- (1) When packages of Puerto Rican spirits are received on the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant under the provisions of this subpart, the markings prescribed by 27 CFR 250.40, modified to show the serial number of the Form 5110.31 prefixed by "Form 5110.31", rather than the serial number and identification of the Form 487-B, shall be accepted in lieu of the markings prescribed in §19.484. On receipt of packages so marked the proprietor of the distilled spirits plant shall show on such packages of spirits the date of fill as provided in §19.482, and the words "Puerto Rican" or the abbreviation "P.R.".
- (2) When packages of Virgin Islands spirits are received on the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant under the provisions of this subpart, the markings prescribed by 27 CFR 250.206 that are on such packages shall be accepted in lieu of the markings prescribed in §19.484. On receipt of packages so marked the proprietor of the distilled spirits plant shall show on such packages of spirits the date of fill as provided in §19.482, and the words "VIRGIN ISLANDS" or the abbreviation "V.I."

(b) Portable bulk containers.

Portable bulk containers of Puerto Rican or Virgin Islands spirits filled in ATF bond shall, in addition to the required marks prescribed in §19.596, be marked to show the serial number of the approved formula under which produced, and with the words "PUERTO RICAN" or "VIRGIN ISLANDS" or the abbreviation thereof. Portable bulk containers containing spirits received in ATF bond under the provisions of this subpart shall, in addition to other required marks, be marked with the words "PUERTO RICAN" or "VIRGIN ISLANDS" or the abbreviation thereof.

(c) Cases of bottled alcohol.

In addition to other mandatory marks prescribed by §19.608 for cases of bottled alcohol, the words "PUERTO RICAN" or "VIRGIN ISLANDS", as appropriate, or the abbreviation "P.R." or "V.I." shall precede or follow the word "alcohol" on cases of alcohol from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands that are bottled and cased on bonded premises.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5235))

§19.486 Additional tax on nonbeverage spirits.

The additional tax imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5001(a)(9), on imported spirits withdrawn from customs custody without payment of tax and thereafter withdrawn from bonded premises for beverage purposes, and the related provisons of §19.518, are not applicable to Puerto Rican or Virgin Islands spirits brought into the United States and transferred to bonded premises under the provisions of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.487 Abatement, remission, credit or refund.

The provisions of 26 U.S.C. 5008, authorizing abatement, remission, credit or refund for loss or destruction of distilled spirits, shall apply to spirits brought into the United States from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands, with respect to the following:

- (a) Spirits lost while in ATF bond:
- (b) Voluntary destruction of spirits in bond;
- (c) Spirits returned to bonded premises after withdrawal from bonded premises without payment of tax; and
- (d) Spirits returned to bonded premises after withdrawal from bonded premises upon tax determination.

Claims relating to spirits lost in bond, in addition to the information required by §19.41, shall show the name of the producer, and the serial number and date of the formula, where required, under which produced.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 95-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5215))

Subpart P--Transfer and Withdrawals

General

§19.501 Authority to withdraw.

Spirits, denatured spirits, and wines shall be removed from bonded premises as provided in this subpart. Spirits entered into bonded storage for subsequent packaging in wooden packages, as provided in §19.320, which have not been drawn into such packages at the time of withdrawal from bond shall be redesignated to conform to the classes and types set out in subpart R of this part and in 27 CFR part 5.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5212, 5214); sec. 807(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5213))

§19.502 Withdrawal of spirits on production or filling gauge.

When the production or filling gauge is made under the provisions of §19.319(b), spirits may be withdrawn from bonded premises for any lawful purpose on the production or filling gauge. When the production or filling gauge is made under §19.319(c), spirits may be withdrawn without payment of tax for export on the production or filling gauge. When spirits which are to be withdrawn on determination of tax on the original gauge are transferred in bond, all copies of the transfer record prescribed in §19.770 shall be marked by the proprietor "Withdrawal on Original Gauge".

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204))

§19.503 Determination of tare.

When packages are to be individually gauged for withdrawal from bonded premises, actual tare shall be determined in accordance with 27 CFR part 30.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204))

Transfers Between Bonded Premises

§19.505 Authorized transfers.

(a) Spirits.

Bulk spirits or denatured spirits may be transferred in bond between the bonded premises of plants qualified under 26 U.S.C. 5171 or 26 U.S.C. 5181, in accordance with §§19.506 and 19.998, respectively.

(b) Wine.

- (1) Wines may be transferred (i) from a bonded wine cellar to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant, (ii) from the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant to a bonded wine cellar, or (iii) between the bonded premises of distilled spirits plants.
- (2) Wines transferred to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant may be used in the manufacture of a distilled spirits product, and may not be removed from such bonded premises for consumption or sale as wine.

(c) Alcohol for industrial purposes.

Alcohol bottled for industrial purposes, as provided in §19.398, may be transferred between the bonded premises of distilled spirits plants in accordance with the procedures prescribed in §\$19.506 through 19.510 for bulk distilled spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended, 1380, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5212, 5362); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18064, Apr. 30, 1990]

§19.506 Application to receive spirits in bond.

When a proprietor qualified under 26 U.S.C. 5171 desires to have spirits or denatured spirits transferred to him in bond which shall not include spirits withdrawn from customs custody under 26 U.S.C. 5232, he shall make application for such transfer to the regional director (compliance) on Form 5100.16. Application to receive such spirits by transfer in bond shall not be approved unless the applicant's operations or unit bond is in the maximum penal sum, or, if in less than the maximum penal sum, is sufficient to cover the tax on the spirits or denatured spirits to be transferred in addition to all other liabilities chargeable against such bond. The applicant shall deliver one of the approved copies of the application to the consignor proprietor.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1318, as amended, 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5005, 5112))

§19.507 Termination of application.

A proprietor may terminate an approved application, Form 5100.16, at any time by

- (a) Retrieving the consignor's copy, and
- (b) Returning this copy, together with his own to the regional director (compliance) for cancellation.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1318, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5005))

§19.508 Consignor premises.

- (a) General.
 - (1) A transfer record shall be prepared according to §19.770 by (i) the consignor

proprietor of a distilled spirits plant (A) to cover the transfer of spirits or denatured spirits in bond to another distilled spirits plant, pursuant to an approved application on Form 5100.16, (B) to cover the transfer in bond of spirits or denatured spirits to an alcohol fuel plant, or (C) to cover the transfer of wine in bond to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant or bonded wine cellar; or (ii) the consignor proprietor of an alcohol fuel plant to cover the transfer of spirits to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant pursuant to an approved application on Form 5100.16. Except as otherwise provided herein, a transfer record shall be prepared for each conveyance. The proprietor shall also enter on the transfer record the serial numbers of any seals or other devices affixed to a conveyance used for shipment of spirits, or denatured spirits. On completion of lading (or completion of transfer by pipeline), the proprietor shall retain one copy of the transfer record and one copy of any accompanying document for his files and forward the original of the transfer record and any accompanying document to the consignee (to accompany the shipment, if by truck).

- (2) Spirits or denatured spirits produced from petroleum, natural gas, or coal may not be transferred to alcohol fuel plants qualified under 26 U.S.C. 5181.
- (3) The consignor proprietor may cover on one transfer record all packages of spirits shipped by truck on the same day from his bonded premises to the bonded premises of another plant. In such case, the proprietor shall prepare a shipment and delivery order for each shipment, showing the number of packages, their package identification or serial numbers, the name of the producer, warehouseman, or processor, and the serial numbers of the seals or other devices (if any) applied to the truck. Such shipping and delivery order shall be properly authenticated and shall consititute a complete record of the spirits so transferred in each truck each day. A copy of each shipping and delivery order shall be retained by the consignor. On completion of the lading of the last truck for the day, the proprietor shall retain one copy of the transfer record and one copy of any accompanying document for his files and forward the original of the transfer record and any accompanying document to the consignee.

(b) Packages.

When spirits are to be transferred in bond in packages, the consignor proprietor shall weigh each package, except (1) when the transfer is to be made in a secured conveyance, (2) when the individual packages have been securely sealed by the proprietor, or (3) when this requirement has been waived by the regional director (compliance) on a finding that, because of the location of the premises and the proposed method of operation, there will be no jeopardy to the revenue. When packages are weighed at the time of shipment, the proprietor shall assign temporary serial numbers to the packages and show for each package its gross shipment weight on a package gauge record prepared according to §19.769. A copy of the package gauge record shall accompany each copy of the transfer record.

(c) Bulk conveyances and pipelines.

When spirits, denatured spirits, or wines are to be transferred in bond in bulk conveyances or by pipelines, the consignor shall gauge the spirits, denatured spirits, or wines and record the quantity so determined on the transfer record prescribed in §19.770. Bulk conveyances of spirits or denatured spirits shall be secured by the

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1367, as amended, 1380, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5212, 5362))

§19.509 Reconsignment.

Where, prior to or on arrival at the premises of a consignee, spirits, denatured spirits, or wines transferred in bond are found to be unsuitable for the purpose for which intended, were shipped in error, or, for any other bona fide reason, are not accepted by such consignee, or are not accepted by a carrier, they may be reconsigned, by the consignor, to himself, or to another consignee. In such case, application to receive spirits or denatured spirits by transfer in bond (on Form 5100.16) shall have been previously approved for the consignee (not required in the case of wines or in the case of alcohol fuel plants receiving spirits or denatured spirits) and the bond of the proprietor to whom the spirits, denatured spirits, or wines are reconsigned shall cover such spirits, denatured spirits, or wines while in transit after reconsignment. Notice of cancellation of the shipment shall be made by the consignor to the consignee. Where the reconsignment is to another proprietor, a new transfer record shall be prepared and prominently marked with the word "Reconsignment".

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1367, as amended, 1380, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5212, 5362))

§19.510 Consignee premises.

(a) General.

When spirits, denatured spirits, or wines are received by transfer in bond, the consignee proprietor shall examine each conveyance to determine whether the securing devices, if any, are intact upon arrival at his premises. If the securing devices are not intact, he shall immediately notify the area supervisor before removal of any spirits from the conveyance. The proprietor shall follow the provisions of subpart Q of this part to determine, record, and report losses, if any. After execution on the transfer record as prescribed in §19.770 or Form 703, as appropriate, of his receipt of the shipment of spirits, denatured spirits, or wines, the consignee shall retain the original of the transfer record and any accompanying documents for his files, or dispose of Form 703 (in the case of wines from a bonded wine cellar), as provided in the instructions on the form. Retained copies of transfer records and Forms 703 shall become deposit records. Spirits which are produced at alcohol fuel plants shall be separately identified and accounted for as for fuel use, and may not be withdrawn, used, sold or otherwise disposed of for other than fuel use.

(b) Packages.

When spirits are received in packages, the consignee proprietor shall weigh each package, except: (1) when the transfer is made in a secured conveyance and the securing devices are intact on arrival, (2) when the individual packages have been sealed by the consignor proprietor and are intact on arrival, or (3) when the requirement for weighing the packages at the consignor premises has been waived under the provisions of §19.508(b)(3). The proprietor shall record the receiving weight of each package on the accompanying package gauge record or on a list with temporary package serial numbers prepared by the consignor. A copy of such package gauge record or list shall remain with the original of the transfer record.

(c) Bulk conveyances and pipelines.

When spirits, denatured spirits, or wines are received in bulk conveyances or by pipeline, the consignee shall gauge the spirits, denatured spirits, or wines and record the gauge on the transfer record prescribed in §19.770 or, in the case of wines received from a bonded wine cellar, on Form 703. The consignee shall ensure that each conveyance emptied has been thoroughly drained. The regional director (compliance) may waive the requirement for gauging spirits, denatured spirits, or wines on receipt by pipeline if he finds that because of the location of the premises, there will be no jeopardy to the revenue.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended, 1380, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204, 5362); sec. 807(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5213))

Withdrawals on Determination and Payment of Tax

§19.515 Determination and payment of tax.

(a) General.

Distilled spirits may be withdrawn from bonded premises on determination of tax in approved containers, or, to the contiguous premises of a manufacturer of nonbeverage products, by pipeline. All tax which is to be prepaid or deferred shall be determined prior to the physical removal of the spirits from bonded premises. The proprietor shall record the results of each tax determination on a record of tax determination as required by §19.761.

(b) *Payment of tax*.

The tax on the spirits shall be prepaid on Form 5000.24 before removal of the spirits from bonded premises unless the proprietor has furnished a withdrawal or unit bond to secure payment of the tax. Where such bond is in less than the maximum penal sum, the proprietor shall prepay the tax for any withdrawal which would cause the outstanding liability for tax to exceed the limits of coverage under the bond.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. (26 U.S.C. 5213))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-219, 50 FR 51387, Dec. 17, 1985]

§19.516 Bond account.

Where the proprietor has furnished a withdrawal or unit bond to cover the tax on spirits withdrawn on determination of tax, and such bond is in less than the maximum penal sum, he shall maintain an account of his bond and he shall charge the bond with the amount of liability incurred on each withdrawal on determination of tax. He shall credit the bond on payment of the amount of tax required to be remitted with a return and by authorized credits taken on a return. Where a bond in less than the maximum penal sum has been allocated among two or more plants, as provided in §§19.243 and 19.244, the proprietor shall maintain an account at each plant of that part of the penal sum allocated to that plant.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.517 Gauge for tax determination.

(a) Packages.

When spirits in packages are to be withdrawn from bonded premises on determination of tax on the basis of an individual package gauge, each package shall be gauged unless the tax is to be determined on the production or filling gauge. When packages are gauged, the proprietor shall prepare a package gauge record, according to §19.769, and attach it to the record of tax determination prescribed in §19.761.

(b) Tanks.

Spirits in tanks which are to be withdrawn on determination of tax shall be gauged (by weighing and proofing) as prescribed in §19.93, and the elements of the gauge shall be recorded on the record of tax determination or on a separate record of the gauge for attachment to the record of tax determination.

(c) Cases.

Cases of distilled spirits to be withdrawn from bonded premises shall be tax determined on the basis of the contents thereof. The proof gallonage contained in cases shall be determined in accordance with 27 CFR part 30 and the method prescribed in §19.722.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358 (26 U.S.C. 5204); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5213))

§19.518 Imported spirits.

When spirits which have been imported for nonbeverage purposes and transferred to bonded premises pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 5232 are withdrawn for beverage purposes, there shall be paid, in addition to the internal revenue tax imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5001, a tax equal to the duty which would have been paid had the spirits been imported for beverage purposes, less the duty already paid thereon. The additional tax shall be referred to as "additional tax--less duty", and shall be paid at the time and in the manner that the basic tax is paid. The total quantity in proof gallons withdrawn shall be the basis of computing the tax at the rates indicated. The amount of the "additional tax--less duty" shall be stated separately and identified as such on the tax return.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1314, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5001))

§19.519 Methods of tax payment.

The tax on spirits shall be paid pursuant to a return on Form 5000.24, filed as provided in §19.523 or §19.524 and §19.525. Except for remittance to be effected by electronic fund transfer under §19.524, remittance for the tax in full shall accompany the return and may be in any form which the regional director (compliance) is authorized to accept under the provisions of §70.61 (Payment by check or money order) and which is acceptable to him. However, where a check or money order tendered in payment for taxes is not paid on presentment, or where the taxpayer is otherwise in default in payment, any remittance made during the period of such default, and until the regional director (compliance) finds that the revenue will not be jeopardized by the acceptance of a personal check (if acceptable to the regional director (compliance)), shall be in cash or in the form of a certified, cashier's, or treasurer's check drawn on any bank or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States, or under the laws of any State, Territory, or possession of the United States, or a money order, as provided in §70.61. Checks and money orders shall be made payable to "Bureau of Alcohol,"

Tobacco and Firearms".

(Act of August 16, 1954, Ch. 736, 68A Stat. 777, as amended (26 U.S.C. 6311); sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1335, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5061))

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§19.520 Employer identification number.

The employer identification number (defined at 26 CFR 301.7701-12) of the taxpayer who has been assigned such a number shall be shown on each return on Form 5000.24 filed pursuant to the provisions of this part. Failure of the taxpayer to include his employer identification number on Form 5000.24 may result in assertion and collection of the penalty specified in §70.113 of this chapter.

(Sec. 1, Pub. L. 87-397, 75 Stat. 828, as amended (26 U.S.C. 6109, 6676))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-219, 50 FR 51387, Dec. 17, 1985; T.D. ATF-301, 55 FR 47605, Nov. 14, 1990]

§19.521 Application for employer identification number.

- (a) An employer identification number will be assigned pursuant to application on Form SS-4 filed by the taxpayer. Form SS-4 may be obtained from the director of the service center or from the district director.
- (b) An application on Form SS-4 for an employer identification number shall be made by every taxpayer who files a return on Form 5000.24, but who prior to the filing of his first return on Form 5000.24 has neither secured an employer identification number nor made application therefor. Such application on Form SS-4 shall be filed on or before the seventh day after the date on which such first return on Form 5000.24 is filed.
- (c) Each taxpayer shall make application for and shall be assigned only one employer identification number, regardless of the number of places of business for which the taxpayer is required to file a tax return under the provisions of this part.

(Sec. 1, Pub. L. 87-397, 75 Stat. 828, as amended (26 U.S.C. 6109))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-219, 50 FR 51387, Dec. 17, 1985]

§19.522 Taxes to be collected by returns.

(a) Deferred taxes.

The tax on spirits to be withdrawn from bond for deferred payment of tax shall be paid pursuant to a semimonthly return on Form 5000.24. Except as provided in section 19.523(c), the periods to be covered by semimonthly returns on Form 5000.24 shall run from the 1st day through the 15th day of each month, and from the 16th day through the last day of each month. A return, Form 5000.24, shall be executed and filed for each semimonthly return period notwithstanding that no tax is due for payment for such period. The proprietor of each bonded premises shall include, for payment, on his semimonthly return on Form 5000.24, the full amount of distilled spirits tax determined in respect of all spirits released for withdrawal from the bonded premises on determination of tax during the period covered by the return

(except spirits on which tax has been prepaid).

(b) Conditions under which deferral is denied.

Notwithstanding the posting of a withdrawal or unit bond by the proprietor, the tax shall be prepaid as provided in paragraph (c) of this section--

- (1) Where a proprietor has defaulted in any payment of tax under this section, during the period of such default and until the regional director (compliance) finds that the revenue will not be jeopardized by deferral; or
- (2) Where a proprietor, who, after having been notified of his deficiency by the regional director (compliance) (i) fails to maintain records required by this part to substantiate the correctness of his tax returns or (ii) otherwise fails to comply with any provisions of this part, is so notified by the regional director (compliance).

(c) Prepaid taxes.

The tax on distilled spirits shall be paid pursuant to a prepayment return on Form 5000.24 in all cases where the tax is required to be paid before the spirits are withdrawn from bond. A single prepayment return on Form 5000.24 may cover one or more transactions. The proprietor shall note the serial number of the Form 5000.24 and the date and time such prepayment return was filed on the individual record of tax determination.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1335, as amended, 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5061, 5555))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-219, 50 FR 51387, Dec. 17, 1985; T.D. ATF-365 60 FR 33668, June 28, 1995]

§19.523 Time for filing returns.

(a) Payment pursuant to semimonthly return.

Where the proprietor of bonded premises has withdrawn spirits from such premises on determination and before payment of tax, the proprietor shall file a semimonthly tax return covering such spirits on Form 5000.24, and remittance, as required by §19.524 or §19.525, not later than the 14th day after the last day of the return period, except as provided by paragraph (c) of this section. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the return and remittance shall be due on the immediately preceding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, except as provided by paragraph (c)(3) of this section.

(b) Payment pursuant to prepayment return.

If the proprietor of a distilled spirits plant desires to withdraw spirits from bonded premises on determination of tax and does not have on file an approved withdrawal or unit bond of sufficient penal sum to cover the withdrawal, if there is default by him in any payment of tax under this part, or the proprietor is notified by the regional director (compliance) as provided in §19.522(b)(2), the proprietor shall not remove the spirits from the bonded premises until the tax thereon has been paid. To pay the tax, the proprietor of the bonded premises shall file a prepayment return on Form 5000.24, and remittance as required by §19.524 or §19.525, before removal of the spirits.

(c) Special rule for taxes due for the month of September (effective after December 31, 1994).

(1)

- (i) Except as provided in paragraph (c)(1)(ii) of this section, the second semimonthly period for the month of September shall be divided into two payment periods, from the 16th day through the 26th day, and from the 27th day through the 30th day. The proprietor shall file a return on Form 5000.24, and make remittance, for the period September 16-26, no later than September 29. The proprietor shall file a return on Form 5000.24, and make remittance, for the period September 27-30, no later than October 14.
- (ii) *Taxpayment not by electronic fund transfer*. In the case of taxes not required to be remitted by electronic fund transfer as prescribed by §19.524, the second semimonthly period of September shall be divided into two payment periods, from the 16th day through the 25th day, and the 26th day through the 30th day. The proprietor shall file a return on Form 5000.24, and make remittance, for the period September 16-25, no later than September 28. The proprietor shall file a return on Form 5000.24, and make remittance, for the period September 26-30, no later than October 14.
- (2) Amount of payment: Safe harbor rule.
 - (i) Taxpayers are considered to have met the requirements of paragraph (c)(1)(i) of this section, if the amount paid no later than September 29 is not less than 11/15 (73.3 percent) of the tax liability incurred for the semimonthly period beginning on September 1 and ending on September 15, and if any underpayment of tax is paid by October 14.
 - (ii) Taxpayers are considered to have met the requirements of paragraph (c)(1)(ii) of this section, if the amount paid no later than September 28 is not less than 2/3rds (66.7 percent) of the tax liability incurred for the semimonthly period beginning on September 1 and ending on September 15, and if any underpayment of tax is paid by October 14.
- (3) Last day for payment. If the required taxpayment due date for the periods September 16-25 or September 16-26 as applicable, falls on a Saturday or legal holiday, the return and remittance shall be due on the immediately preceding day. If the required due date falls on a Sunday, the return and remittance shall be due on the immediately following day.
- (4) Example. Payment of tax for the month of September.
 - (i) *Facts.* X, a distilled spirits plant proprietor required to pay taxes by electronic fund transfer, incurred tax liability in the amount of \$30,000 for the first semimonthly period of September. For the period September 16-26, X incurred tax liability in the amount of \$45,000, and for the period September 27-30, X incurred tax liability in the amount of \$2,000.
 - (ii) *Payment requirement.* X's payment of tax in the amount of \$30,000 for the first semimonthly period of September is due no later than September 29 (§19.522(a)). X's payment of tax for the period September 16-26 is also due

no later than September 29 (§19.523(c)(1)(i)). X may use the safe harbor rule to determine the amount of payment due for the period of September 16-26 (§19.523(c)(2)). Under the safe harbor rule, X's payment of tax must equal \$21,990.00, 11/15ths of the tax liability incurred during the first semimonthly period of September. Additionally, X's payment of tax in the amount of \$2,000 for the period September 27-30 must be paid no later than October 14 (§19.523(c)(1)(i)). X must also pay the underpayment of tax, \$23,010.00, for the period September 16-26, no later than October 14 (§19.523(c)(2)).

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§19.524 Payment of tax by electronic fund transfer.

(a) General.

- (1) Each taxpayer who was liable, during a calendar year, for a gross amount equal to or exceeding five million dollars in distilled spirits taxes combining tax liabilities incurred under this part and parts 250 and 251 of this chapter, shall use a commercial bank in making payment by electronic fund transfer (EFT) of distilled spirits taxes during the succeeding calendar year. Payment of distilled spirits taxes by cash, check, or money order, as described in §19.525, is not authorized for a taxpayer who is required, by this section, to make remittances by EFT. For purposes of this section, the dollar amount of tax liability is defined as the gross tax liability on all taxable withdrawals and importations (including distilled spirits products brought into the United States from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands) during the calendar year, without regard to any drawbacks, credits, or refunds, for all premises from which such activities are conducted by the taxpayer. Overpayments are not taken into account in summarizing the gross tax liability.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, a taxpayer includes a controlled group of corporations, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 1563, and implementing regulations in 26 CFR 1.1563-1 through 1.1563-4, except that the words "at least 80 percent" shall be replaced by the words "more than 50 percent" in each place it appears in subsection (a) of 26 U.S.C. 1563, as well as in the implementing regulations. Also, the rules for a "controlled group of corporations" apply in a similar fashion to groups which include partnerships and/or sole proprietorships. If one entity maintains more than 50% control over a group consisting of corporations and one, or more, partnerships and/or sole proprietorships, all of the members of the controlled group are one taxpayer for the purpose of determining who is required to make remittances by EFT.
- (3) A taxpayer who is required by this section to make remittances by EFT, shall make a separate EFT remittance and file a separate return, ATF F 5000.24, for each distilled spirits plant from which spirits are withdrawn upon determination of tax.

(b) *Requirements*.

(1) On or before January 10 of each calendar year, except for a taxpayer already remitting the tax by EFT, each taxpayer who was liable for a gross amount equal

to or exceeding five million dollars in distilled spirits taxes during the previous calendar year, combining tax liabilities incurred under this part and parts 250 and 251 of this chapter, shall notify the regional director (compliance), for each region in which taxes are paid. The notice shall be an agreement to make remittances by EFT.

- (2) For each return filed in accordance with this part, the taxpayer shall direct the taxpayer's bank to make an electronic fund transfer in the amount of the taxpayment to the Treasury Account as provided in paragraph (e) of this section. The request shall be made to the bank early enough for the transfer to be made to the Treasury Account by no later than the close of business on the last day for filing the return, prescribed in §19.523. The request shall take into account any time limit established by the bank.
- (3) If a taxpayer was liable for less than five million dollars in distilled spirits taxes during the preceding calendar year, combining tax liabilities incurred under this part and parts 250 and 251 of this chapter, the taxpayer may choose either to continue remitting the tax as provided in this section or to remit the tax with the return as prescribed by §19.525. Upon filing the first return on which the taxpayer chooses to discontinue remitting the tax by EFT and to begin remitting the tax with the tax return, the taxpayer shall notify the regional director (compliance) by attaching a written notification to ATF F 5000.24, stating that no taxes are due by EFT, because the tax liability during the preceding calendar year was less than five million dollars, and that the remittance shall be filed with the tax return.

(c) Remittance.

- (1) Each taxpayer shall show on the return, ATF F 5000.24, information about remitting the tax for that return by EFT and shall file the return with ATF, in accordance with the instructions on ATF F 5000.24.
- (2) Remittances shall be considered as made when the taxpayment by electronic fund transfer is received by the Treasury Account. For purposes of this section, a taxpayment by electronic fund transfer shall be considered as received by the Treasury Account when it is paid to a Federal Reserve Bank.
- (3) When the taxpayer directs the bank to effect an electronic fund transfer message as required by paragraph (b)(2) of this section, any transfer data record furnished to the taxpayer, through normal banking procedures, will serve as the record of payment, and shall be retained as part of required records.

(d) Failure to make a taxpayment by EFT.

The taxpayer is subject to a penalty imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5684, 6651, or 6656, as applicable, for failure to make a taxpayment by EFT on or before the close of business on the prescribed last day for filing.

(e) Procedure.

Upon the notification required under paragraph (b)(1) of this section, the regional director (compliance) will issue to the taxpayer an ATF Procedure entitled, Payment of Tax by Electronic Fund Transfer. This publication outlines the procedure a taxpayer is to follow when preparing returns and EFT remittances in accordance with

this part. The U.S. Customs Service will provide the taxpayer with instructions for preparing EFT remittances for payments to be made to the U.S. Customs Service.

(Act of August 16, 1954, 68A Stat. 775, as amended (26 U.S.C. 6302); sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1335, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5061))

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§19.525 Manner of filing returns.

- (a) Each return on Form 5000.24 shall be filed with the ATF, in accordance with the instructions on the form. If the return and remittance are to be filed with a designated ATF Officer, the proprietor shall file the return and remittance no later than 2:00 p.m. on the date the return is required to be filed.
- (b) When the proprietor sends the return on Form 5000.24 by U.S. mail, the official postmark of the U.S. Postal Service stamped on the cover in which the return was mailed shall be considered the date of delivery of the remittance. When the postmark on the cover is illegible, the burden of proving when the postmark was made will be on the proprietor. When the proprietor sends the return with or without remittance by registered mail or by certified mail, the date of registry or the date of the postmark on the sender's receipt of certified mail, as the case may be, shall be treated as the date of delivery of the return and, if accompanied, of the remittance.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 775, as amended (26 U.S.C. 6302))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-219, 50 FR 51388, Dec. 17, 1985; T.D. ATF-251, 52 FR 19313, May 22, 1987]

§19.526 Removal of spirits on tax determination.

No spirits shall be removed from bonded premises, except as otherwise provided by law, unless the tax thereon has been paid or determined. A record of tax determination shall be prepared for each removal of spirits as provided in §19.76.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5205); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5213))

Withdrawal of Spirits Without Payment of Tax

§19.531 Authorized withdrawals without payment of tax.

Spirits may be withdrawn from bonded premises, without payment of tax for:

- (a) Export, as authorized under 26 U.S.C. 5214(a)(4);
- (b) Transfer to customs manufacturing bonded warehouses, as authorized under 19 U.S.C. 1311;
- (c) Transfer to foreign-trade zones, as authorized under 19 U.S.C. 81c;
- (d) Supplies for certain vessels and aircraft, as authorized under 19 U.S.C. 1309;
- (e) Transfer to customs bonded warehouses, as authorized under 26 U.S.C. 5066 or 5214(a)(9);

- (f) Use in wine production, as authorized under 26 U.S.C. 5373;
- (g) Transfer to any university, college of learning, or institution of scientific research for experimental or research use as authorized under 26 U.S.C. 5312(a);
- (h) Research, development or testing, as authorized under 26 U.S.C. 5214(a)(10). The withdrawal of spirits as provided in paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section shall be in accordance with the regulations in 27 CFR part 252; or,
 - (i) Use in the production on bonded wine cellar premises of wine and wine products which will be rendered unfit for beverage use, as authorized by 26 U.S.C. 5362(d). The withdrawal of spirits as provided in paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section shall be in accordance with the regulations in part 252 of this chapter.

(Sec. 311, Tariff Act of 1930, 46 Stat. 691, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1311); sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended, 1375, as amended, 1382, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5214, 5312, 5373); sec. 3, Pub. L. 91-659, 84 Stat. 1965, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5066); sec. 455, Pub. L. 98-369, 98 Stat. 494 (26 U.S.C. 5214))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-227, 51 FR 13216, Apr. 18, 1986]

§19.532 Withdrawals of spirits for use in wine production.

Wine spirits may be withdrawn to a bonded wine cellar without payment of tax for use in wine production. When wine spirits are consigned, the proprietor shall prepare a transfer record according to §19.770. Unless wine spirits in packages are to be withdrawn on the production or filling gauge, the proprietor shall prepare a package gauge record according to §19.769 and attach it to the transfer record.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended, 1382, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5214, 5373))

§19.533 Withdrawal of spirits without payment of tax for experimental or research use.

Any scientific university, college of learning, or institution of scientific research (which has qualified under the provisions of §19.71 to withdraw spirits from a bonded premises), desiring to withdraw a specific quantity of spirits for experimental or research use, shall file a letterhead application with the regional director (compliance) of the region in which the applicant's premises are located.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1375, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5312))

§19.534 Withdrawals of spirits for use in production of nonbeverage wine and nonbeverage wine products.

Spirits withdrawn without payment of tax may be removed, pursuant to the provisions of part 24 of this chapter, to a bonded wine cellar for use in the production of nonbeverage wine and nonbeverage wine products. (Sec. 455, Pub. L. 98-369, 98 Stat. 494 (26 U.S.C. 5214))

[T.D. 372, 61 FR 20724, May 8, 1996]

Withdrawal of Spirits Free of Tax

§19.536 Authorized withdrawals free of tax.

Pursuant to the regulations in this chapter, spirits may be withdrawn from bonded premises free of tax--

- (a) On receipt of a signed photocopy of a permit, issued under part 22 of this chapter, to procure spirits for nonbeverage purposes and not for resale or use in the manufacture of any product for sale, as provided in 26 U.S.C. 5214(a)(3);
- (b) On receipt of a signed photocopy of a permit, issued under part 22 of this chapter, to procure spirits by and for the use of the United States or any governmental agency, any State, any political division of a State, or the District of Columbia, for nonbeverage purposes as provided in 26 U.S.C. 5214(a)(2);
- (c) On receipt of a valid permit, issued under this part, to procure spirits by and for the use of the United States, under the provisions of 26 U.S.C. 7510, for purposes other than as provided in paragraph (b) of this section and 26 U.S.C. 5214(a)(2);
- (d) After being specially denatured--
 - (1) On receipt of a signed photocopy of a permit to procure specially denatured spirits, issued under part 20 of this chapter.
 - (2) For export;
- (e) After being completely denatured, for any lawful purpose;
- (f) When contained in an article.

(Act of August 16, 1954, Ch. 736, 68A Stat. 900 (26 U.S.C. 7510); sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5214))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9160, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.537 Withdrawal of spirits free of tax.

Spirits withdrawn free of tax under §19.536 (a), (b), or (c) shall be withdrawn in approved containers and shipped to the consignee designated in the permit. Unless the spirits are in cases or are to be withdrawn on the production or filling gauge, the proprietor shall gauge each container. If the spirits are in packages which are to be gauged, the proprietor shall prepare a package gauge record according to §19.769, and attach it to the record of shipment. For each shipment the proprietor shall prepare a record of shipment (shipping invoice, bill of lading, or another document intended for the same purpose) and forward the original to the consignee, in accordance with §19.779. Bulk conveyances used to transport spirits withdrawn free of tax under this section shall be secured in accordance with §19.96.

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(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5214))

[T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9160, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.538 Withdrawal of spirits by the United States.

- (a) Nonbeverage use.
 - (1) Government agencies of the United States, intending to procure specially denatured spirits or spirits free of tax for nonbeverage purposes, shall make

application for and receive a permit, Form 5150.33, from the Director. Permits may be issued to Government agencies of the United States for:

- (i) Withdrawal and use of specially denatured spirits, in accordance with part 20 of this chapter;
- (ii) Withdrawal and use of alcohol free of tax for nonbeverage purposes, in accordance with part 22 of this chapter; or
- (iii) Importation and use of alcohol free of tax for nonbeverage purposes, in accordance with part 251 of this chapter.
- (2) All permits previously issued to Government agencies of the United States for use of spirits or specially denatured spirits on Form 1444 shall remain valid and will be regulated by the same provisions of this chapter as it refers to permits on Form 5150.33.
- (3) A Government agency shall forward a signed copy of its permit, Form 5150.33, for retention by the proprietor of the distilled spirits plant for the initial purchase. Subsequent orders with the same vendor shall refer to the permit number.
- (4) In the case of a Government agency holding a single permit for use of other sub-agencies, the signed copy of the permit shall contain an attachment listing all other locations authorized to procure spirits under that permit.
- (5) For each shipment under this section, the proprietor shall prepare a record of shipment and forward the original to the consignee agency, in accordance with §19.779.

(b) Beverage use.

- (1) Distilled spirits may be withdrawn free of tax, under 26 U.S.C. 7510, for use for beverage purposes by Government agencies of the United States on receipt of a proper Government purchase order signed by the head of the agency, or an authorized delegate.
- (2) For each withdrawal under paragraph (b)(1) of this section, each case removed shall be plainly marked "For Use of the United States" in addition to the marks required by subpart R of this part.
- (3) For each withdrawal under paragraph (b)(1) of this section, the proprietor shall prepare a record containing the information required by §19.761 for a record of tax determination. The proprietor shall mark this record "Free of Tax For Use of the United States."

(Act of August 16, 1954, Ch. 736, 68A Stat. 900 (26 U.S.C. 7510); sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended, 1375, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271, 5313))

[T.D. T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9160, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.539 Disposition of excess spirits.

Upon discontinuance of use of spirits or specially denatured spirits withdrawn free of tax under §19.538, a Government agency may dispose of excess spirits (a) to another

Government agency (the receiving agency is required to have a permit under part 20 or 22 if the spirits were withdrawn for nonbeverage purposes), (b) by returning the spirits to the proprietor of a distilled spirits plant, or (c) in any manner authorized by the Director. In no case may such spirits be disposed of to the general public, or otherwise than as provided in this section.

(Act of August 16, 1954, Ch. 736, 68A Stat. 900 (26 U.S.C. 7510); sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended, 1375, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271, 5313))

[T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9161, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.540 Removal of denatured spirits and articles.

(a) Specially denatured spirits.

- (1) Specially denatured spirits withdrawn free of tax under §19.536(d) shall be shipped in approved containers to the consignee designated on the permit. If such spirits are for export or for transfer to a foreign-trade zone for export or for storage pending exportation, they shall be withdrawn under the applicable provisions of part 252 of this chapter.
- (2) Domestic specially denatured spirits may be transferred to qualified users located in a foreign-trade zone for use in the manufacture of articles under the applicable provisions of part 20 of this chapter. The alcohol, as defined in 27 CFR part 20, in domestic specially denatured spirits must be produced entirely in the United States, including Puerto Rico.
- (3) When specially denatured spirits are shipped to a qualified user, dealer, or an applicant or prospective applicant under paragraph (c)(2)(ii) of this section, the proprietor shall prepare a record of shipment in accordance with §19.779. Bulk conveyances used to transport specially denatured spirits shall be secured in accordance with the provisions of §19.96.

(b) Completely denatured alcohol.

No permit, application, or notice is required for removal of completely, denatured alcohol from bonded premises.

(c) Samples of denatured spirits.

- (1) The proprietor may take samples of denatured spirits free of tax which may be necessary for the conduct of business.
- (2) The proprietor may furnish samples of specially denatured spirits:
 - (i) To dealers in, and users of, specially denatured spirits in advance of sales; or
 - (ii) To applicants or prospective applicants for permits to use specially denatured spirits, for experimental purposes or for use in preparing samples of a finished product for submission on request by the Director.
 - (A) Proprietors shall maintain records to ensure that samples of specially denatured spirits dispensed to a nonpermittee do not exceed five gallons per calendar year. Records of samples of less than five gallons shall be

maintained as provided in §19.766.

- (B) Samples in excess of five gallons may be furnished to nonpermittees only after the consignee provides the proprietor with a letterhead application approved by the regional director (compliance) under §20.252 of this chapter. The proprietor shall retain the approved letterhead application on file as a part of the record of transaction.
- (C) For each shipment of a sample in excess of five gallons under paragraph (c)(2)(ii)(B) of this section, the proprietor shall prepare a record of shipment and forward the original to the consignee, in accordance with §19.779.
- (3) Each sample of specially denatured spirits withdrawn under the provisions of paragraph (c)(2) of this section shall have a label affixed showing the following information:
 - (i) The word "Sample", and the words "Specially Denatured Alcohol", or "Specially Denatured Rum", whichever is applicable;
 - (ii) The name, address, and plant number of the proprietor; and
 - (iii) The formula number.

(d) Articles.

Removal of articles from bonded premises shall be in accordance with the provisions of part 20 of this chapter.

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(48 Stat. 999, as amended, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended, 1370, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81c; 26 U.S.C. 5214, 5271))

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§19.541 Reconsignment.

(a) *Reconsignment*.

When, prior to or on arrival at the consignee's premises, spirits or specially denatured spirits withdrawn free of tax under §19.536 are not accepted by the consignee or by a carrier, the spirits may be reconsigned (1) to the consignor, (2) to another proprietor for return to the bonded premises under the provisions of §19.685, or (3) to another permittee holding a valid permit issued under part 20 or 22 of this chapter, as applicable.

(b) Consent of surety.

In case of reconsignment to bonded premises, the provisions of §19.685, relating to consent of surety in respect to return of spirits or specially denatured spirits withdrawn free of tax, are applicable.

(c) *Records of reconsignment.*

In the case of reconsignment, the consignor shall cancel the initial record of shipment and prepare a new record of shipment, if shipment is to another permittee or proprietor. The new record of shipment shall be marked "Reconsignment." File copies of the canceled and the new record of shipment will be annotated to cross reference each other.

(Records relating to tax-free alcohol approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1512-0334; records relating to specially denatured spirits approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1512-0337)

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

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Subpart Q--Losses and Shortages

Losses

§19.561 Losses in general.

(a) Allowable losses.

Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, tax shall not be collected or, if paid, the tax shall be refunded when spirits, denatured spirits or wines are lost or destroyed while in bond.

(b) Exceptions.

Tax shall be collected in the case of:

- (1) Theft, unless the regional director (compliance) finds that the theft occurred without connivance, collusion, fraud or negligence on the part of the proprietor, owner, consignor, consignee, bailee, or carrier, or the employees or agents of any of them;
- (2) Voluntary destruction carried out other than as provided in subpart U of this part;
- (3) Unexplained shortage of bottled spirits.

(c) Burden of proof.

When it appears that a loss occurred due to theft, the burden of proof shall be on the proprietor or other person liable for the tax to establish to the satisfaction of the regional director (compliance) that the loss did not result from connivance, collusion, fraud, or negligence on the part of the proprietor, owner, consignor, consignee, bailee, or carrier, or the employees or agents of any of them.

(d) Claims

for losses allowable under this section shall be filed in accordance with applicable provisions of subpart C of this part.

(e) Limitations.

The abatement, remission, credit, or refund of taxes on spirits, denatured spirits, or

wines lost by theft shall be allowed only to the extent that the claimant is not indemnified against or recompensed for the taxes.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended, 1381, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008, 5370))

§19.562 Determination of losses in bond.

(a) General.

- (1) Losses (whether by theft, unauthorized voluntary destruction, or otherwise) of spirits, denatured spirits, and wines shall be determined by the proprietor:
 - (i) Each time a tank or bulk conveyance is emptied;
 - (ii) On the basis of required physical inventories; and
 - (iii) Upon discovery of accidents or unusual variations in gauges.
- (2) When it appears that any container in bond has sustained a loss resulting from theft or unauthorized voluntary destruction, such loss shall be taxpaid or the container shall be segregated (as necessary) with the loss reported promptly to the area supervisor.
- (3) In any instance in which spirits, denatured spirits or wines are lost or destroyed in bond, whether by theft, unauthorized voluntary destruction, or otherwise, the regional director (compliance) may require the proprietor or other person liable for the tax to file a claim for relief from the tax in accordance with §19.41.

(b) Missing packages.

Whenever any packages of spirits, denatured spirits, or wine recorded as deposited on bonded premises cannot be located or otherwise accounted for, the proprietor shall promptly report such fact to the area supervisor, and the proprietor shall either pay the tax on the lost spirits, denatured spirits, or wines, or file a claim with respect thereto under the provisions of §19.41.

(c) Tampering, material deficiency, or loss of proof.

When it is found that spirits, denatured spirits, or wines in a container have been tampered with, or when a material deficiency in the recorded quantity of such products is found without evidence of loss by leakage or casualty, or when there is a loss of proof of such products not attributable to variations in gauging, the proprietor shall segregate the container (as necessary) and shall promptly report such fact to the area supervisor, unless the proprietor acknowledges liability for the tax on the loss and elects to pay the tax on the quantity lost.

(d) Excessive in-transit losses.

Losses of spirits, denatured spirits, or wines received in bond in bulk conveyances which exceed one percent of the quantity of a product consigned shall be considered as excessive in-transit losses. However, in the case of transcontinental transfers in bond of wine, only losses in excess of two percent of the quantity of wine consigned shall be considered as excessive in-transit losses. The proprietor shall promptly report all such excessive in-transit losses to the area supervisor.

(e) Storage account loss limitation.

When the quantity of spirits lost from all the storage tanks and bulk conveyances exceeds 1½ percent of the total quantity contained in the tanks and bulk conveyances during the calendar quarter, the loss shall be taxpaid unless a claim for remission is filed in accordance with the provisions of §19.41 and is allowed by the regional director (compliance).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended, 1381, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008, 5370))

§19.563 Loss of spirits from packages.

(a) Original quantity.

Where there is evidence satisfactory to the regional director (compliance) that any loss of spirits (including denatured spirits) from any package deposited on bonded premises is due to theft (except where the regional director (compliance) has made the finding provided for in §19.561(b)) or is due to unauthorized voluntary destruction, the regional director (compliance) may require the immediate tax payment of the quantity of spirits so lost, except where the extent of any loss from causes other than theft or unauthorized voluntary destruction can be established by the proprietor to the satisfaction of the regional director (compliance), the regional director (compliance) may credit the tax on the loss so established against the tax on the original quantity.

(b) *Alternative method*.

Where there is evidence satisfactory to the regional director (compliance) that there has been access, other than as authorized by law, to the contents of packages entered for deposit on bonded premises, and the extent of such access is such as to evidence a lack of due diligence or a failure to employ necessary and effective controls on the part of the proprietor, the regional director (compliance) may (in lieu of the procedure prescribed in paragraph (a) of this section) assess an amount equal to the tax on 5 proof gallons of spirits on each of the total number of such packages as determined by him.

(c) Applicability to packages filled after entry.

The provisions of this section apply to spirits (including denatured spirits) which are filled into casks or packages as authorized by law, after entry and deposit on bonded premises, whether by recasking, filling from tanks, mingling, or otherwise. The quantity filled into those casks or packages is considered to be the original quantity for the purpose of this section in the case of loss from those casks or packages.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1320, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5006))

§19.564 Losses after tax determination.

(a) Applicability.

Pursuant to a claim, the tax on spirits which are lost after determination of tax and before completion of physical removal from bonded premises, may be abated or remitted or refunded or credited without interest to the proprietor of the bonded premises where the loss occurred.

(b) Conditions.

- (1) Claims for losses under this section shall be filed in accordance with subpart C of this part.
- (2) This section shall not apply if the tax would have been collectible by reason of 26 U.S.C. 5008(a)(1) if the loss occurred on bonded premises before determination of tax.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008))

Shortages

§19.565 Shortages of bottled distilled spirits.

An unexplained shortage of bottled distilled spirits shall be taxpaid: (a) Immediately on a prepayment return on Form 5000.24, or (b) on the semimonthly return on Form 5000.24 for the return period during which the shortage was ascertained. Unexplained shortages shall be determined by comparing the spirits recorded to be on hand with the results of the quantitative determination of the spirits found to be on hand by actual count during the physical inventory required by §19.402. When the recorded quantity is greater than the quantity determined by the physical inventory, the difference is an unexplained shortage. The records shall be adjusted to reflect the physical inventory.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-219, 50 FR 51388, Dec. 17, 1985]

Subpart R--Containers and Marks

Containers

§19.581 Authorized containers.

(a) General.

Proprietors shall use for any purpose of containing, storing, transferring, conveying, removing, or withdrawing spirits or denatured spirits under this part only containers which are authorized by, or under the provisions of this part for such purpose, and a container so authorized will be deemed to be an approved container for such purpose. Except where stated otherwise, the provisions of part 20 of this chapter apply to containers used for containing, storing and shipping of articles, and the provisions of 27 CFR part 24 apply to containers used for storage or transfer of wine. Except for liquor bottles, this subpart does not regulate or prohibit the use on plant premises of any container for purposes other than containing alcoholic substances.

(b) Alternate containers.

In addition to the types of containers specifically authorized by this part for a particular purpose, a container of another type may be authorized for that purpose by the Director on a finding by him that the use of such container will afford protection to the revenue equal to or greater than that afforded by the containers specifically authorized by this part, and that the use will not cause administrative difficulty. If another container is so authorized by the Director, he shall prescribe the detail and

manner in which such container shall be constructed, protected, and marked, consistent with the provisions of this part and the extent of such use. Similarly, where a container authorized for a particular purpose is required by this subpart to be made of specified materials, the Director may authorize the use of containers made of other materials which he has found to be suitable for the intended purpose.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1362, as amended, 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5212, 5214, 5301); sec. 805, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 279 (26 U.S.C. 5002); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5213))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9162, Mar. 6, 1985; T.D. 372, 61 FR 20724, May 8, 1996]

§19.582 Spirits for nonindustrial use.

(a) Determination of use.

Containers of spirits of a capacity of 1 gallon (3.875 liters) or less are considered to be for nonindustrial use, except for those which contain:

- (1) Anhydrous alcohol; or
- (2) Alcohol which may be withdrawn from bond free of tax.
 - (b) Containers.

If not inconsistent with the provisions in 27 CFR part 5, spirits for nonindustrial use may be filled into:

- (1) Packages, or
 - (2) Other containers which are filled during processing operations and contain not more than 10 gallons.
 - (c) Bottles and labels.

The provisions of subpart S of this part govern the liquor bottles and labels to be used in bottling spirits for nonindustrial domestic use.

(d) Cases.

Spirits for nonindustrial use in containers with a capacity of 1 gallon or less shall be placed in cases which afford reasonable protection against breakage. Such cases shall not be transferred in bond.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5212, 5301))

§19.583 Spirits for industrial use.

- (a) Containers.
 - (1) Denatured spirits may be filled into glass or metal containers of a capacity not greater than 10 gallons.
- (2) Other spirits for industrial use may be filled into
 - (i) Containers of 1 gallon or less; or

(ii) Glass or metal containers of a capacity of 1 gallon but not greater than 10 gallons.

(b) *Encased containers*.

Unlabeled containers holding from 1 to 10 gallons of denatured spirits and spirits of 190 degree proof or more for industrial use may be encased in wood, fiberboard, or similar material if:

- (1) The cases are constructed so that the surface, including the opening, of the container is not exposed;
- (2) Required marks are applied to an exterior surface of the case;
- (3) The case is constructed so that the portion containing marks will remain attached to the inner container until all the contents have been removed; and
- (4) A statement reading "Do not remove inner container until emptied" or of similar meaning is placed on the portion of the case bearing the marks.

(c) Cases.

Except for encased containers, containers for denatured spirits and spirits for industrial use of a capacity of 1 gallon or less shall be placed in cases which afford reasonable protection against breakage.

(d) Articles.

Articles shall be packaged and labeled in accordance with the provisions of 27 CFR part 20.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5301))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9162, Mar. 6, 1985; T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985]

§19.584 Packages.

Packages may be used on bonded premises for original entry of spirits, and for packaging from tanks, storing, transferring in bond, and withdrawing from bonded premises of spirits and denatured spirits. Packages shall be constructed so as to be capable of secure closure.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.585 Bulk conveyances.

Bulk conveyances which conform to the requirements of §19.588 may be used on bonded premises for original entry of spirits, and for filling from tanks, storing, transferring in bond, and withdrawing taxpaid spirits and denatured spirits. Spirits may be withdrawn free of tax, pursuant to the provisions of this part, in a bulk conveyance only for use of the United States, or if the Director has authorized the proprietor, as provided in §19.581, to so withdraw such spirits to a specified consignee. Spirits may be withdrawn without payment of tax, pursuant to the provisions of this part, in bulk conveyances for the purposes provided in §19.531 (a), (b), (c), (e), and (f).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.586 Tanks.

Tanks which conform to the requirements of §19.273 may be used on bonded premises as containers for distilled spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and wines.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.587 Pipelines.

Pursuant to the provisions of this part, pipelines which conform to the requirements of §19.274 may be used for (a) the conveyance on bonded premises of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and wines, and (b) the conveyance to and from bonded premises of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and wines.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.588 Construction of bulk conveyances.

(a) Construction.

All bulk conveyances authorized by this part shall conform to the following:

- (1) If the conveyance consists of two or more compartments, each shall be so constructed or arranged that emptying of any compartment will not afford access to the contents of any other compartment.
- (2) The conveyance (or in the case of compartmented conveyances, each compartment) shall be so arranged that it can be completely drained.
- (3) Each tank car or tank truck shall have permanently and legibly marked thereon its number, capacity in wine gallons, and the name or symbol of its owner.
- (4) If the conveyance consists of two or more compartments, each compartment shall be identified and the capacity of each shall be marked thereon.
- (5) A route board, or other suitable device, for carrying required marks or brands shall be provided on each bulk conveyance.
- (6) Calibrated charts showing the capacity of each compartment in wine gallons for each inch of depth, shall be available for use in measuring the contents of each tank truck, tank ship, or barge.

(b) Proprietor's responsibility.

Before filling any bulk conveyance, the proprietor shall examine it to ascertain that it meets the requirements of this section and is otherwise suitable for receiving the spirits, denatured spirits, or wines, and he shall refrain from, or discontinue, using any such conveyance found by him or by an ATF officer to be unsuitable.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5212, 5214); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5213))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985]

§19.589 Restrictions on disposition of bulk spirits.

(a) For nonindustrial use.

Spirits for nonindustrial use may be sold or disposed of in containers holding more than 1 wine gallon only to the persons and for the purposes set forth in 27 CFR part 3.

(b) For industrial use.

Shipment or delivery of spirits (other than alcohol or neutral spirits) withdrawn from bond in containers holding more than 1 wine gallon for industrial use shall, as provided in 27 CFR part 3, be made directly to the user of the spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-895, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Marks

§19.592 General.

Proprietors shall mark, identify, and label all containers of spirits or denatured spirits as provided by this part. Containers of wine shall be marked in accordance with 27 CFR part 24. Containers of articles shall be marked in accordance with 27 CFR part 211.

(Sec. 201 Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended, 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204, 5206))

[T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985, as amended by T.D. 372, 61 FR 20724, May 8, 1996]

§19.593 Package identification numbers in production and storage.

(a) General.

Packages of spirits filled during production or storage operations after December 31, 1979, shall be marked with a lot identification representing the date the package is filled, and consisting, in the order shown, as follows:

- (1) The last two digits of the calendar year;
- (2) An alphabetical designation from "A" through "L", representing January through December, in that order;
- (3) The digits corresponding to the day of the month; and
- (4) When more than one lot is filled into packages during the same day, for successive lots after the first lot, a letter suffix, in alphabetical order, with "A" representing the second lot, "B" representing the third lot, and so forth.

The first three lots filled into packages on January 2, 1980, would be identified as "80A02", "80A02A", "80A02B".

(b) Packages constituting a lot.

Packages of spirits received from customs custody or filled during any one day shall be given the same lot identification subject to the following conditions:

(1) They are of the same type and either are of the same rated capacity or are uniformly filled with the same quantity by weight or other method provided in

§19.319;

- (2) They are filled with spirits of the same kind and same proof;
- (3) They are filled with spirits which are mingled in accordance with §19.346; and
- (4) They are filled with imported spirits, Puerto Rican spirits, or Virgin Islands spirits, as applicable. Any remnant package shall itself constitute a lot.

(c) Serial numbers.

The regional director (compliance) may require serial numbers on packages of spirits within the same lot in conjunction with the lot identification, at the time of filling, receipt on bonded premises, or withdrawal from bond. Proprietors shall assign temporary serial numbers to packages for control purposes when they are transferred in bond in an unsecured conveyance or gauged after being tampered within the storage account.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

§19.594 Numbering of packages and cases in processing.

(a) General.

Packages of spirits and denatured spirits filled during processing operations and cases containing bottles or other containers of spirits and denatured spirits shall, when filled, be consecutively numbered in a separate series by the proprietor commencing with "1" in each series of serial numbers, except that any series of such numbers in use may be continued. When the numbering in any series reaches "1,000,000", the proprietor may recommence the series. However, a new series for packages of spirits and denatured spirits filled during processing operations shall be given an alphabetical prefix or suffix. For additional identification, separate series of serial numbers, distinguished from each other by the use of alphabetical prefixes or suffixes, may be established to identify size of bottles, brand names, or other information, on written notice to the regional director (compliance). Remnant cases shall be given the serial number of the last full case followed by the letter R. Where there is a change in the individual, firm, corporate name, or trade name, all series in use at that time shall be continued. However, for a change in proprietorship, a new series shall be commenced.

(b) Alternative method for spirits, including denatured spirits, for industrial use.

Instead of the numbering required by paragraph (a) of this section, packages and cases of spirits, including denatured spirits, for industrial use filled in processing may be marked with lot identification numbers provided in §19.593.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.595 Specifications for marks.

(a) Manner.

(1) The proprietor shall place the prescribed marks on cases, encased

containers, and packages of spirits and denatured spirits so that they are:

- (i) Of sufficient size to be easily read;
- (ii) Of a color distinctly in contrast to that of the background;
- (iii) Legible; and
- (iv) Durable.
- (2) Cases, encased containers or packages may be marked by the use of labels which are legible and securely affixed.
- (b) Location.

The required marks shall be placed on one side or head, as applicable.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.596 Marks on packages of spirits filled on bonded premises.

(a) Packages filled in production or storage.

Except as otherwise provided in this part, packages of spirits filled in production or storage shall be marked with:

- (1) The name of the producer, or his trade name as required by paragraph (c) of this section;
- (2) The plant number of the producer, such as "DSP-KY-708";
- (3) The kind of spirits or, in the case of distillates removed under §19.322, the kind of distillates such as "Grape distillate", "Peach distillate", etc.;
- (4) The package identification number;
- (5) "BSA" or "OC" when spirits are treated with caramel or oak chips, as the case may be;
- (6) The rated capacity of the package in gallons shown as "RC--G".
- (7) If packages of spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof are filled by other than the producer, the name (or trade name) and plant number of the packaging proprietor shall be substituted for that of the producer.

(b) Packages filled in processing.

Except as otherwise provided in this part, packages of spirits filled in processing shall be marked with:

- (1) The name of the processor, or his trade name;
- (2) The plant number of the processor, such as "DSP-KY-708";
- (3) The kind of spirits (in the case of an intermediate, the product name shown on Form 5110.38);

- (4) The serial number or lot identification number, as applicable, and date of filling;
- (5) Proof of spirits; and
- (6) If manufactured under an approved formula, the serial number of the formula.

(c) Real or trade names.

The producer's real name or any trade name authorized (as provided in §19.165), at the time of production, may be placed on any package filled at the time of production gauge, or at the time of original packaging of the spirits in wood when, as provided in §19.320, the spirits were not filled into wooden packages at the time of production gauge. When spirits have been mingled under §19.346, the proprietor may use any of the names represented in the mingled spirits, but no other name, as the name of the producer to be marked on packages filled with such mingled spirits. However, if the proprietor was the actual producer of the spirits, he may in any case use his real name. The processor's real name or any trade name authorized (as provided in §19.165) may be placed on any package filled with spirits during processing operations.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.597 Kind of spirits.

(a) Designation.

The designations as to kind of spirits required by §19.596 shall be in accordance with the classes and types of spirits set out in 27 CFR part 5, except that:

- (1) Spirits distilled at more than 160 degrees of proof, which lack the taste, aroma, and other characteristics generally attributed to whisky, brandy, rum, or gin, and which are substantially neutral in character, may be designated as "Alcohol". When alcohol is withdrawn on determination of tax, the designation shall consist of the word "Alcohol" preceded or followed by a word or phrase descriptive of the material from which the alcohol was produced.
- (2) The designations for vodka, neutral spirits, or gin shall include a word or phrase descriptive of the material from which the spirits so designated were produced.
- (3) Spirits distilled at less than 190 degrees of proof which lack the taste, aroma, and other characteristics generally attributed to whisky, brandy, rum, or gin, may be designated "Spirits", preceded or followed by a word or phrase descriptive of the material from which produced. However, spirits distilled on or after July 1, 1972, as provided in this paragraph may not be designated "Spirits grain" or "Grain spirits".
- (4) Spirits distilled from fruit at or above 190 degrees of proof, if intended for use in wine production, shall be designated "Neutral Spirits--Fruit", preceded or followed by the name of the fruit from which produced.
- (5) Spirits distilled at not more than 160 degrees of proof from a fermented mash of not less than 51 percent rye, corn, wheat, malted barley, or malted rye grain,

packaged in reused cooperage, may be designated "Whisky" if further qualified with the words "Distilled from rye mash" (or bourbon, wheat, malt, or rye malt mash, as the case may be). However, such spirits shall, if distilled from a fermented mash of not less than 80 percent corn, be designated "Corn Whisky."

(b) Change of designation.

A proprietor may, on written application to, and approval of the regional director (compliance), change the original designation for spirits at any time, before their withdrawal from bonded premises, to a new designation properly describing the spirits in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(c) Other designations.

If the proprietor proposes to produce spirits for which a designation has not been prescribed, he shall first make written application to the Director for a designation for such spirits and such spirits shall be branded accordingly.

(d) Spirits for nonindustrial use.

The provisions of this section shall not be construed as authority for applying designations to spirits withdrawn for nonindustrial use which designations do not comply with provisions of 27 CFR part 5.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.599 Change of packages in storage.

When spirits are transferred from one package to another as authorized in §19.345, each new package shall be given the same package identification number and marks as the original package. The proprietor shall prepare and sign a label to be affixed to the head of each new package in the manner prescribed for affixing distilled spirits stamps. The label shall be in the following form:

The spirits in this _	, (kind of cooperage)	, (Barrel or drum) package
identification No	, were transferred from a	,, (kind of
cooperage)	, (Barrel or drum) on	, (Date),

(Proprietor)

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.601 Marks on containers of specially denatured spirits.

(a) General.

Each package, case, and encased container of specially denatured spirits filled on bonded premises shall be marked or labeled to show:

- (1) Quantity in gallons;
- (2) Serial number or lot identification number:
- (3) Plant number of the proprietor;

- (4) Designation or abbreviation of the specially denatured spirits by kind (alcohol or rum);
- (5) Formula number; and
- (6) Proof of spirits which were denatured at other than 190 degrees of proof.

(b) Bottles.

Each bottle shall be marked or labeled to show the information prescribed in paragraph (a)(1), (3), (4), (5), and (6) of this section.

(c) Alternate formulations.

When spirits are denatured under a formula authorizing a choice of types and quantities of denaturants, the container or case shall be marked to show actual types and quantities of denaturants used.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.602 Marks on containers of completely denatured alcohol.

Each container of completely denatured alcohol, except pipelines and bulk conveyances, shall have marked on the head of the package, or side of the can or carton, the name of the proprietor by whom the containers were filled, the plant number where filled, the contents in wine gallons, the apparent proof, the words "Completely Denatured Alcohol", and the formula number.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended) (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.604 Caution label.

Each container of completely denatured alcohol containing five gallons or less, sold or offered for sale, shall be labeled to show, in plain, legible letters, the words "Completely Denatured Alcohol" and the following statement "Caution--contains poisonous ingredients." The name and address of the denaturer may be printed on such label, but no other extraneous matter will be permitted thereon without the approval of the Director. The word "pure", qualifying denatured alcohol, will not be permitted to appear on the label or the container.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9162, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.605 Additional marks on portable containers.

- (a) In addition to the other marks required by this part, portable containers (other than bottles enclosed in cases) of spirits or denatured spirits to be withdrawn from the bonded premises:
 - (1) Without payment of tax, for export, transfer to customs manufacturing bonded warehouses, transfer to foreign-trade zones or supplies for certain vessels and aircraft, shall be marked as provided in 27 CFR part 252; or
 - (2) Tax-free alcohol shall be marked with the word "Tax-Free."

(b) The proprietor may show other information such as brand or trade name; caution notices and other material required by Federal, State, or local law or regulations; wine or proof gallons; and plant control data. However, marks or attachments shall not conceal, obscure, interfere with or conflict with the markings required by this subpart.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§19.606 Marks on bulk conveyances.

- (a) The proprietor shall securely attach to the route board, or other suitable device, of each bulk conveyance used to transport spirits or denatured spirits, a label to identify each conveyance or compartment as follows:
 - (1) Name, plant number, and location of the consignor;
 - (2) Name, plant number, permit number, or registry number (as applicable), and location of the consignee;
 - (3) Date of shipment;
 - (4) Quantity (proof gallons for spirits, wine gallons for denatured spirits); and
 - (5) Formula number for denatured spirits.
- (b) The provisions of paragraph (a) of this section shall not apply when the conveyance is accompanied by documentation which contains the information required by paragraph (a) of this section.
- (c) In addition, export shipments shall conform to the requirements of 27 CFR part 252.
- (d) Bulk conveyances used to transport articles or wine shall conform to the requirements of part 20 or 240 of this chapter, as applicable.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9162, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.607 Marks on cases.

(a) Mandatory marks.

Except for cases marked as provided in §19.608, the following information shall be plainly marked on each case of spirits filled in processing:

- (1) Serial number;
- (2) Kind of spirits;
- (3) Plant number where bottled;
- (4) Date filled;
- (5) Proof; and
- (6) Liters or proof gallons.

Cases removed for export, transfer to customs bonded warehouses or customs manufacturing bonded warehouses, transfer to foreign-trade zones, or for use as supplies on certain vessels and aircraft, shall bear the additional marks required by 27 CFR part 252.

(b) Other marks.

In addition to the required marks on cases filled in processing, the proprietor may include other marks such as:

- (1) Name or trade name, and location of desired, of the bottler, and in conjunction therewith the word "Bottler";
- (2) For products actually distilled or processed by the proprietor, his name or trade name, and location, if desired, and in conjunction therewith the words "Distiller" or "Processor" as applicable;
- (3) For products actually imported and bottled by the proprietor, the words "Imported and Bottled By", followed by his name or trade name, and location if desired;
- (4) For products bottled for a dealer, the words "Bottled For", followed by the name of such dealer;
- (5) Other material required by Federal or State law and regulations; or
- (6) Labels or data describing the contents for commercial identification or accounting purposes, or indicating payment of State or local taxes.

The marks authorized by this paragraph shall not interfere with or detract from the mandatory marks prescribed in paragraph (a) of this section.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206); sec. 3(a), Pub. L. 91-659, 84 Stat. 1965, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5066))

§19.608 Cases of industrial alcohol.

- (a) Mandatory marks. Each case, including encased containers, of alcohol bottled for industrial use in accordance with subpart M of this part shall be marked as applicable, to show--
 - (1) "Alcohol";
 - (2) Serial number or lot identification number;
 - (3) Plant number;
 - (4) Proof:
 - (5) Proof gallons;
 - (6) "Tax-Free"; and
 - (7) Information required by 27 CFR part 252, for cases withdrawn for export, transferred to customs bonded warehouses, transferred to foreign-trade zones, or supplies for certain vessels and aircraft.

(b) *Other marks*.

Cases may be marked with other marks which do not interfere with or detract from mandatory case marks in the manner permitted by §19.607.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1369, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5235))

§19.609 [Reserved]

§19.610 Obliteration of marks.

Except as provided in §19.597(b), the marks required by this part to be placed on any container or case shall not be destroyed or altered before the container or case is emptied.

(Sec. 454, Pub. L. 98-369, 98 Stat. 494 (26 U.S.C. 5206))

[T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985]

§19.611 Relabeling and reclosing off bonded premises.

The proprietor of a distilled spirits plant may relabel, affix brand labels, or reclose bottled taxpaid spirits on wholesale liquor dealer premises or at a taxpaid storeroom on, contiguous to, adjacent to, or in the immediate vicinity of the plant, if such wholesale liquor dealer premises or taxpaid storeroom is operated in connection with the plant. If products which are relabeled under this section were originally bottled by another proprietor, the relabeling proprietor shall have on file a statement from the original bottler consenting to the relabeling.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

[T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985]

§19.612 Authorized abbreviations to identify marks.

In addition to the abbreviations and symbols which are authorized in this part for use in marking containers, the following abbreviations may be used to identify certain marks:

Mark	Abbreviation	
Completely Denatured Alcohol	CDA	
Distilled Spirits Stamp	DSS	
Gallon or Wine Gallon	WG	
Gross Weight	G	
Proof	Р	
Specially Denatured		
Alcohol	SDA	
Rum	SDR	
Tare	Т	
Tax Determined	TD	
Wine Spirits Addition	WSA	
70.0: 1.1000		

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206)) [T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

Subpart S--Liquor Bottle and Label Requirements

§19.631 Scope of subpart.

The provisions of §§19.632 through 19.639 of this subpart shall apply only to liquor bottles having a capacity of 200 ml or more except where expressly applied to liquor bottles of less than 200 ml capacity. The provisions of §§19.641 through 19.650 of this subpart shall apply to all liquor bottles, regardless of size.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5301))

Liquor Bottle Requirements

§19.632 Bottles authorized.

Liquor bottles for domestic use shall conform to the applicable standards of fill provided in subpart E of 27 CFR part 5, including those for liquor bottles of less than 200 ml capacity. The use of any bottle size other than as authorized in subpart E of 27 CFR part 5 is prohibited for the bottling of nonindustrial distilled spirits for domestic purposes.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

§19.633 Distinctive liquor bottles.

(a) Application.

A proprietor desiring approval of domestic liquor bottles of distinctive shape or design, including bottles of less than 200 ml capacity, or, to use such distinctive liquor bottles, shall submit ATF Form 5100.31 to the Director for approval. The applicant shall certify as to the total capacity of a representative sample bottle before closure (expressed in milliliters) on each copy of the form. In addition, the applicant shall affix a readily legible photograph (both front and back of the bottle) to the front of each copy of ATF Form 5100.31, along with the label(s) to be used on the bottle. The applicant shall not submit an actual bottle or an authentic model unless specifically requested to do so.

(b) Approval.

Properly submitted ATF Forms 5100.31 for approval of distinctive liquor bottles shall be approved by the Director if the bottles are found to--

- (1) Meet the requirements of 27 CFR part 5;
- (2) Be distinctive;
- (3) Be suitable for their intended purpose;
- (4) Not jeopardize the revenue; and
- (5) Not be deceptive to the consumer.

The applicant shall keep a copy of the approved ATF Form 5100.31, including an approved photograph (both front and back) of the distinctive liquor bottle, on file at his premises. If ATF Form 5100.31 is disapproved, the applicant shall be notified of the Director's decision and the reasons therefor.

(c) Cross reference.

For procedures regarding issuance, denial and revocation of distinctive liquor bottle approvals, as well as appeal procedures, see part 13 of this chapter.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-242, 51 FR 39525, Oct. 29, 1986; T.D. ATF-406, 64 FR 2122, Jan. 13, 1999]

§19.634 Receipt and storage of liquor bottles.

No proprietor shall accept shipment or delivery of liquor bottles except from the manufacturer thereof, a supplier abroad, or another proprietor. However, the regional director (compliance) may, pursuant to letterhead application, authorize a proprietor to receive and reuse liquor bottles assembled for such proprietor as provided in 27 CFR 194.263. Liquor bottles, including those of less than 200 ml capacity, shall be stored in a safe and secure place, either on the proprietor's qualified premises or at another location.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

§19.635 Bottles to be used for display purposes.

Liquor bottles may be furnished to liquor dealers for display purposes, provided that each bottle is marked to show that it is to be used for such purpose. The disposition of such bottles, showing names and addresses of consignees, dates of shipment, and size, quantity, and description of bottles, shall be included in the records required under §19.747.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1512-0198)

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

[T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985]

§19.636 Bottles for testing purposes.

Proprietors may ship liquor bottles to persons for testing. The disposition of such bottles, showing the name and address of the person to whom the bottles are shipped, date of shipment, and the size and number of bottles shipped, shall be included in the records required under §19.747.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

§19.637 Bottles not consitituting approved containers.

The Director shall disapprove for use as a liquor bottle any bottle, including a bottle of less than 200 ml capacity, which he determines to be deceptive. Any such bottle is not an approved container for the purposes of §19.581 of this part, and shall not be used for packaging distilled spirits for domestic purposes.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

§19.638 Disposition of stocks of liquor bottles.

When a proprietor discontinues operations, or permanently discontinues the use of a particular size or type of liquor bottle, the stocks of such bottles on hand shall either be disposed of to another person authorized to receive liquor bottles, or destroyed,

including disposition for purposes which will render them unusable as bottles. However, on approval of a written application by the regional director (compliance) of the region in which the proprietor's plant is located, liquor bottles may be otherwise disposed of.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

§19.639 Use and resale of liquor bottles.

No proprietor shall use any liquor bottle except for packaging distilled spirits, or dispose of any empty liquor bottle except to another person authorized to receive liquor bottles or as provided in §19.638. Bottles may be furnished to others for display and testing purposes as provided in §\$19.635 and 19.636, respectively.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

Bottle Label Requirements

§19.641 Certificate of label approval or exemption.

(a) Requirement.

Proprietors are required by 27 CFR part 5 to obtain approval of labels, or exemption from label approval, for any label to be used on bottles of spirits for domestic use and shall exhibit evidence of label approval, or of exemption from label approval, on request of an ATF officer.

(b) Cross reference.

For procedures regarding the issuance, denial and revocation of certificates of label approval and certificates of exemption from label approval, as well as appeal procedures, see Part 13 of this chapter.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.642 Statements required on labels under an exemption from label approval.

All labels to be used on bottles of spirits for domestic use under an exemption from label approval shall contain the applicable information required in §§19.643 through 19.650. Where a statement of age or age and percentage is required, it shall have the meaning given, and be stated in the manner provided in 27 CFR part 5.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.643 Brand name, kind, alcohol content, and State of distillation.

(a) Brand name and kind.

The label of distilled spirits shall state the brand name and kind, as set out in 27 CFR part 5.

(b) *Alcohol content*.

(1) *Mandatory statement*. The label of distilled spirits shall state the alcohol content in percent-alcohol-by-volume. Products such as "Rock and Rye" or similar products containing a significant amount of solid material shall state the

alcohol content at the time of bottling as follows: "Bottled at ___ percent-alcohol-by-volume."

(2) *Optional statement.* In addition, the label may also state the alcohol content in degrees of proof if this information appears in direct conjunction (i.e. with no intervening material) with the statement expressed in percent-alcohol-by-volume. If both forms of alcohol content are shown, the optional statement in degrees of proof shall be placed in parentheses, in brackets, or otherwise distinguished from the mandatory statement in percent-alcohol-by-volume to emphasize the fact that both expressions of alcohol content mean the same thing.

(c) State of distillation.

- (1) *Mandatory statement*. If a whisky produced in the United States was not produced in the State shown on the label, the label shall show the State of distillation, except as provided by paragraph (c)(2) or (c)(3) of this section. The Director may, however, require the State of distillation to be shown on the label or permit such other. labeling as may be necessary to preclude any misleading or deceptive impression which might otherwise be created as to the actual State of distillation.
- (2) *Exceptions*. The State of distillation is not required to be shown on labels of "blended whisky", "a blend of straight whiskies", "spirit whisky", "light whisky", or "blended light whisky". The State of distillation may be prohibited on certain labels of "light whisky" or "blended light whisky", in accordance with paragraph (c)(3) of this section.
- (3) *Prohibited statement.* The State of distillation may not be shown, except as part of the name and address required by 27 CFR 5.36(a), on labels of "light whisky" or "blended light whisky" produced in a State which the Director finds to be associated by consumers with an American type whisky.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201)

§19.644 Net contents.

The net contents of liquor bottles shall be shown on the label, unless the statement of the net contents is permanently marked on the side, front, or back of the bottle.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as ameded (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.645 Name and address of bottler.

There shall be stated on the label of distilled spirits the phrase "Bottled by", "packed by", or "Filled by" immediately followed by the name (or trade name) of the bottler and the place where such spirits are bottled. If the bottler is the actual bona fide operator of more than one distilled spirits plant engaged in bottling operations, there may, in addition, be stated immediately following the name (or trade name) of such bottler the addresses of such other plants. However:

(a) Where distilled spirits are bottled by or for the distiller thereof, there may be stated, in lieu of the phrase "Bottled by", "Packed by", or "Filled by", followed by the bottler's name (or trade name) and address, the phrase "Distilled by", followed by the name (or trade name) under which the particular spirits were distilled, or any trade

name shown on the distiller's permit (covering the premises where the particular spirits were distilled), and the address (or addresses) of the distiller;

- (b) Where "straight whiskies" of the same type which have been produced in the same State by two or more different distillers are combined (either at time of bottling or at a warehouseman's bonded premises for further storage) and subsequently bottled and labeled as "straight whisky," such "straight whisky" shall be labeled in accordance with the requirements of the first paragraph of this section. Where such "straight whisky" is bottled by or for the distillers thereof, there may be stated on the label, in lieu of the requirements of the first paragraph of this section, the phrase "distilled by," followed by the names (or trade names) of the different distillers who distilled a portion of the "straight whisky," the addresses of the distilleries where the "straight whisky" was distilled, and the percentage of "straight whisky" distilled by each distiller (with a tolerance of plus or minus 2 percent). In the case where "straight whisky" is made up of a mixture of "straight whiskies" of the same type from two or more different distilleries of the same proprietor located within the same State, and where the "straight whisky" is bottled by or for the proprietor thereof, such "straight whisky" may be labeled, in lieu of the requirements of the first paragraph of this section, with the phrase "distilled by" followed by the name (or trade name) of the proprietor and the addresses of the different distilleries which distilled a portion of the "straight whisky."
- (c) Where distilled spirits are bottled by or for the proprietor of a distilled spirits plant, there may be stated, in lieu of the phrase "Bottled by", "Packed by", or "Filled by", followed by the bottler's name (or trade name) and address, the phrase "Blended by", "Made by", "Prepared by", "Manufactured by", or "Produced by" (whichever may be appropriate to the process involved), followed by the name (or trade name) and the address (or addresses) of the distilled spirits plant proprietor;
- (d) On labels of distilled spirits bottled for a retailer or other person who is not the actual distilled spirits plant proprietor of such distilled spirits, there may also be stated the name and address of such retailer or other person, immediately preceded by the words "Bottled for", or "Distributed by", or other similar statement; and
- (e) The label may state the address of the proprietor's principal place of business in lieu of the place where the bottling, distilling or processing operation occurred, if the address where the operation occurred is indicated by printing, coding, or other markings, on the label or on the bottle. The coding system employed will permit an ATF officer to determine where the operation stated on the label occurred. Prior to using a coding system, the distilled spirits plant proprietor shall send a notice explaining the coding system to the regional director (compliance) of each region where a label code is used.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

[T.D.ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D.ATF-259, 52 FR 41423, Oct. 28, 1987; T.D. ATF-260, 52 FR 42101, Nov. 3, 1987]

§19.646 Age of whisky containing no neutral spirits.

In the case of whisky containing no neutral spirits, statements of age and percentage shall be stated on the label as provided in 27 CFR part 5.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.647 Age of whisky containing neutral spirits.

In the case of whisky containing neutral spirits, the age of the whisky or whiskies and the respective percentage by volume of whisky or whiskies and neutral spirits, shall be stated on the label as provided in part 5 of this chapter.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.648 Age of brandy.

If brandy is aged for a period of less than two years, the age thereof shall be shown on the label.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.649 Presence of neutral spirits and coloring, flavoring, and blending materials.

The presence of neutral spirits or coloring, flavoring, or blending materials shall be stated on labels in the manner provided in 27 CFR part 5.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.650 Country of origin.

On labels of imported distilled spirits there shall be stated the country of origin in substantially the following form: "Product of _____," the blank to be filled in with the name of the country or origin.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

Subpart T--Closures

SOURCE: T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985.

§19.661 General.

Each bottle or other container of spirits having a capacity of one gallon (3.785 liters) or less shall bear a closure or other device affixed in accordance with §19.662. The closure or other device shall be affixed to the container prior to withdrawal from bond or customs custody.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1512-0461)

(Sec. 454, Pub. L. 98-369, 98 Stat. 494 (26 U.S.C. 5301))

§19.662 Affixing closures.

Closures or other devices on containers having a capacity of one gallon (3.785 liters) or less shall be securely affixed to the containers so as to leave a portion remaining on the container when the container is opened. In addition, the closures or other devices shall be constructed in such a manner as to require that they be broken to gain access to the contents of the containers.

(Sec. 454, Pub. L. 98-369, 98 Stat. 494 (26 U.S.C. 5301))

§19.663 Reclosing.

Bottles of distilled spirits filled on bonded premises may be reclosed under the provisions of subpart M of this part. Bottles of distilled spirits to which closures or other devices have been affixed may also be reclosed under the provisions of §19.611.

(Sec. 454, Pub. L. 98-369, 98 Stat. 494 (26 U.S.C. 5215))

Subpart U--Return of Spirits to Bonded Premises and Voluntary Destruction

Returns

§19.681 Return of taxpaid spirits to bonded premises.

(a) General.

This section and §19.682 pertain only to taxpaid spirits returned to bonded premises under 26 U.S.C. 5215(a). The return of taxpaid bottled spirits to bonded premises solely for relabeling or reclosing is covered in §19.393.

(b) Return.

Distilled spirits on which the tax has been paid or determined may only be returned to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant under this section for:

- (1) Destruction, in accordance with §19.691;
- (2) Denaturation, in accordance with subpart N;
- (3) Redistillation, in accordance with subpart K;
- (4) Reconditioning; or
- (5) Rebottling.

(c) Claims.

Claims for credit or refund of tax on spirits returned to bonded premises shall be filed as provided in, and accompanied by the information prescribed by, §19.42.

(d) Applicability of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51.

All provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 and this part, applicable to spirits in ATF bond, shall be applicable to spirits when returned to bonded premises under this section. The provisions of this subpart do not apply to taxpaid bottled spirits returned to bond solely for relabeling or reclosing and under the provisions of subpart M of this part.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5215))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985]

§19.682 Receipt and gauge of returned taxpaid spirits.

(a) Dump.

Unless returned in the sealed metal drums in which they were withdrawn, spirits

returned to bonded premises shall be immediately dumped.

(b) Gauge.

Spirits returned under §19.681 shall be gauged upon receipt on bonded premises. Such gauge may be established on the basis of case markings and label information, as provided in §19.91.

(c) Supporting documents.

- (1) Proprietors must have on file at the plant where spirits are returned to bond such documentation as is necessary to establish the amount of tax for which a claim for credit or refund may be allowed. Proprietors shall maintain credit memoranda or comparable financial records evidencing the return of each lot of spirits.
- (2) If the spirits contain eligible wine or eligible flavors, the proprietor shall also have on file a copy of the record of tax determination prescribed by §19.761, or other documentation which establishes the amount of tax for which a claim for credit or refund may be allowed. In lieu of establishing the actual effective tax rate of a product, the proprietor may claim refund or credit based on the lowest effective tax rate applied to the product.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5215); Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201); Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18064, Apr. 30, 1990]

§19.683 Return of recovered denatured spirits and recovered articles.

Recovered denatured spirits and recovered articles may be returned for restoration or redenaturation to the bonded premises of any plant authorized to denature spirits, in accordance with the provisions of 27 CFR part 20. If restoration requires redistillation, the recovered denatured spirits or recovered articles may be returned for that purpose to bonded premises of a plant authorized to produce or process spirits. Recovered denatured spirits or recovered articles shall be gauged on receipt.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1363, as amended, 1372, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5223, 5273))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9162, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.684 Articles and spirits residues received for redistillation.

Articles manufactured under 27 CFR part 20, and spirits residues of manufacturing processes related thereto, may be received on the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant authorized to produce or process distilled spirits, for the recovery by redistillation of the distilled spirits contained in those materials. The proprietor shall gauge the materials when received.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1365, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5223))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9162, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.685 Return of recovered tax-free spirits, and spirits and denatured spirits withdrawn free of tax.

- (a) *General*. Specially denatured spirits withdrawn free of tax under the applicable provisions of 27 CFR part 252 for exportation or for deposit in a foreign-trade zone, and spirits or denatured spirits withdrawn free of tax under the applicable provisions of 27 CFR part 20 or 22, may be returned: (1) To bonded premises of any distilled spirits plant authorized to produce or process distilled spirits, for redistillation; or (2) To any bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant pending subsequent lawful withdrawal free of tax. Recovered tax-free spirits may, as provided in 27 CFR part 22, be returned for redistillation to bonded premises of any distilled spirits plant authorized to produce or process distilled spirits or to any bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant for restoration (not including redistillation). The return shall be made under the applicable provisions of this part and 27 CFR part 20, 22, or 252, as appropriate.
- (b) *Bonding requirements*. Before spirits or denatured spirits are returned to bonded premises, except spirits or denatured spirits returned for redistillation, the proprietor shall file a consent of surety on Form 1533 to extend the terms of the operations or unit bond to cover the return of the spirits. The proprietor may file one consent of surety on the bond to extend the terms thereof to cover all spirits which may be returned.
- (c) *Procedure*. When recovered tax-free spirits, spirits, or denatured spirits are received, they shall be gauged. When containers of spirits removed for export are returned to bond, pending subsequent removal for a purpose other than export, the export marks shall be obliterated.

(Sec. 3, Act of June 13, 1934, 48 Stat. 999, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81c); sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1314, as amended, 1365, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5001, 5223))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9162, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.686 Return of spirits withdrawn without payment of tax.

- (a) Spirits withdrawn for export. Spirits lawfully withdrawn without payment of tax under the provisions of 27 CFR part 252 for exportation, or for transfer to a customs bonded warehouse or a customs manufacturing bonded warehouse, or for deposit in a foreign-trade zone, or for use on vessels and aircraft, and not so exported, transferred, deposited, or used (or laden for use) on a vessel or aircraft, may be returned, under the applicable provisions of this part and 27 CFR part 252: (1) To the bonded premises of any plant authorized to produce or process distilled spirits, for redistillation; or (2) To the bonded premises from which withdrawn pending subsequent removal for a lawful purpose.
- (b) Spirits withdrawn for use in wine production. Wine spirits withdrawn under §19.532 for use in wine production, and not so used, may be returned to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant. The consignee proprietor shall obtain approval, as provided in §19.506. The wine spirits shall be removed from the winery in accordance with the provisions of 27 CFR part 240.
- (c) Spirits withdrawn for research, development, or testing. Spirits withdrawn without payment of tax, under the provisions of subpart V of this part, for research, development, or testing may be returned to the bonded premises of the distilled spirits plant from which withdrawn. After returning these spirits to bonded premises, they shall be destroyed, returned to containers, or returned to vessels

in the distilling system containing similar spirits.

(d) Procedure.

When spirits are received, they shall be gauged by the proprietor. When spirits which were removed for exportation are returned to bonded premises pending subsequent removal for a purpose other than exportation, all export marks on the containers in which the spirits are returned shall be obliterated.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended, 1365, as amended, 1382, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5214, 5223, 5373); sec. 3, Pub. L. 91-659, 84 Stat. 1965, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5066))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985]

§19.687 Return of spirits withdrawn for export with benefit of drawback.

Subject to the provisions of 27 CFR 252.197 through 252.199, whole or partial shipments of spirits withdrawn for export with benefit of drawback may be returned to: (a) The bonded premises of the distilled spirits plant, pursuant to §19.681, or (b) to a wholesale liquor dealer or taxpaid storeroom. Claims filed by proprietors on ATF Form 5110.30 which include the returned spirits shall be reduced by the amount of tax paid or determined on the returned spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1336, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5062); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5215))

§19.688 Abandoned spirits.

Spirits abandoned to the United States may be sold, without payment of the tax, to a proprietor of a plant for denaturation or for redistillation and denaturation, if the plant is authorized to denature or redistill and denature spirits. These spirits shall be kept apart from all other spirits or denatured spirits until denatured. The receipt and gauging provisions of §19.683 are applicable to these spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5243))

Voluntary Destruction

§19.691 Voluntary destruction.

(a) General.

Spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines in bond may be voluntarily destroyed as provided in this section. The tax liability on spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines so destroyed is extinguished.

(b) Wine notice.

Wine may be destroyed in bond only after the proprietor has filed notice with the regional director (compliance) stating the kind and quantity of wine to be destroyed and the date and manner in which the wine is to be destroyed. The wine may be destroyed after such notice has been filed.

(c) Gauging.

A proprietor shall gauge spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines to be destroyed. Gauges of spirits in bottles may be established on the basis of legible case markings

and label information when:

- (1) The bottles are full;
- (2) There is no evidence that the bottles have been tampered with.

(d) Off bonded premises.

Spirits, denatured spirits, articles or wines may be removed and destroyed at a location off bonded premises if the proprietor has filed a consent of surety to cover such removal. If the destruction is accomplished off plant premises, the proprietor shall ensure compliance with applicable Federal, State, and local environmental laws and regulations.

(e) Record of destruction.

The proprietor shall record the destruction of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines as provided in §19.767.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1323, as amended, 1381, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008, 5370))

Subpart V--Samples of Spirits

§19.701 Spirits withdrawn from bonded premises.

(a) Samples withdrawn from bonded premises.

The proprietor may withdraw spirits without payment of tax, or wine spirits or brandy free of tax, to the proprietor's laboratory, the laboratory of an affiliated or subsidiary corporation, or, if approved by the regional director (compliance), to a recognized commercial laboratory for testing or analysis (other than consumer testing or other market analysis) to determine the quality or character of the finished product. The quantity of spirits so withdrawn shall not exceed the amount necessary for conduct of the proprietor's operations.

(b) Customer samples.

A quantity of spirits not exceeding 1 liter may be furnished to a prospective purchaser for quality testing (other than consumer testing or other market analysis) only if a bona fide written or oral purchase agreement exists which is contingent upon quality approval by the prospective purchaser; except that a sample not to exceed 1 liter may be furnished to a prospective customer for quality testing in anticipation of a purchase agreement if the customer is authorized to receive bulk spirits for industrial use.

(c) Research or development.

Spirits may be withdrawn without payment of tax for research, development, or testing (other than consumer testing or other market analysis) of processes, systems, materials or equipment relating to distilled spirits or distilled spirits plant operations. The amount withdrawn shall be limited to an amount necessary for conduct of the testing, research or development. If the testing, research or development is to be conducted by other than the proprietor, the proprietor shall secure a written statement, executed by the consignee, agreeing that he will

maintain records of the receipt, use, and disposition of all spirits received by him and that those records and operations will be available during regular business hours for inspection by ATF officers.

(d) Conditions.

- (1) Records will be maintained in accordance with §19.766 of all spirits taken or withdrawn under the provisions of this section.
- (2) Remnants or residues of spirits withdrawn but not used during testing, research or development shall be destroyed or returned to the bonded premises for storage with similar products or entry in the continuous distilling system.

(e) Limitation.

The regional director (compliance) shall proceed to collect the tax on any spirits withdrawn under this section which are found to have been withdrawn, used or disposed of in a manner not authorized by this section.

(f) Losses.

When spirits are lost prior to being used for the authorized purpose, the proprietor shall either pay the tax or file a claim for remission of tax as prescribed by §19.41.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 86-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended, 1382, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5214, 5173))

§19.702 Samples used on bonded premises.

The proprietor may take samples of spirits for research, development, testing, or laboratory analysis conducted in a laboratory located on the bonded premises of the distilled spirits plant. The applicable purposes, conditions and limitations for samples taken pursuant to §19.701 shall also apply to samples taken as authorized by this section.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended, 1382, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5008))

§19.703 Taxpayment of samples.

When tax is required to be paid on samples:

- (a) If the proprietor is qualified to defer payment of tax, the tax shall be included in the proprietor's semimonthly tax return on Form 5000.24.
- (b) If the proprietor is not qualified to defer the payment of tax, the tax shall be paid on a prepayment tax return on Form 5000.24.

[T.D. ATF-219, 50 FR 51388, Dec. 17, 1985]

§19.704 Labels.

- (a) On each container of spirits to be withdrawn under the provisions of §19.701, the proprietor shall affix a label showing the following information:
 - (1) Purpose for which withdrawn;
 - (2) Kind of spirits;

- (3) Size and the proof of the sample, if known;
- (4) If the spirits are removed to other then adjacent or contiguous premises of the proprietor, the name and address of the consignee;
- (5) The proprietor's name, and plant number; and
- (6) The date taken.
- (b) The labeling required by paragraph (a) of this section is not necessary when sample containers bear an approved label pursuant to 27 CFR Part 5 and subpart S of this part and the sample is removed from bonded premises to the general premises of the same distilled spirits plant.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1362, as amended, 1382, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5214, 5373))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23952, June 7, 1985]

Subpart W--Records and Reports

General

§19.721 Records.

- (a) In General.
 - (1) The records to be maintained by proprietors shall include:
 - (i) All individual transaction forms, records, and summaries specifically required by this part;
 - (ii) All supplemental, auxiliary, and source data utilized in the compilation of required forms, records, and summaries, and for preparation of reports, returns, and claims; and
 - (iii) Copies of notices, reports, returns, and approved applications and other documents relating to operations and transactions.
 - (2) The records required by this part may consist of the proprietor's commercial documents, rather than records prepared expressly to meet the requirements of this part, if such documents contain all the details required by this part to be recorded, are consistent with the general requirements of clarity and accuracy, and do not result in difficulty in their examination.
- (b) Accounts.

The records required by this part to be maintained by proprietors shall be arranged into three primary operational accounts:

- (1) Production,
- (2) Storage, and
- (3) Processing.

Records shall indicate receipts, movements between accounts, transfers in bond, or

withdrawals of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines.

(c) Exceptions.

The term "records" as used in this subpart does not include copies of qualifying documents required under subpart G, or of bonds required under Subpart H of this part.

(d) *Special provisions*.

See 27 CFR 70.22 for information with respect to ATF examination of financial records and books of account.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.722 Conversion between metric and U.S. units.

When liters are converted to wine gallons, the quantity in liters shall be multiplied by 0.264172 to determine the equivalent quantity in wine gallons. Cases containing the same quantity of spirits of the same proof in metric bottles may be converted to U.S. units by multiplying the liters in one case by the number of cases to be converted, as follows: (a) If the conversion from liters to U.S. units is made before multiplying by the number of cases, the quantity in U.S. units shall be rounded to the sixth decimal; or (b) If the conversion is made after multiplying by the number of cases, the quantity in U.S. units shall be rounded to the nearest hundredth. Once converted to wine gallons, the proof gallons of spirits in cases shall be determined as provided in 27 CFR 30.52.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.723 Maintenance and preservation of records.

(a) Place of maintenance.

Records required by this part shall be prepared and kept by the proprietor at the plant where the operation or transaction occurs and shall be available for inspection by any ATF officer during business hours.

(b) Reproduction of original records.

- (1) Whenever any record, because of its condition, becomes unsuitable for its intended or continued use, the proprietor shall reproduce such record, by a process approved by the regional director (compliance) under §19.725 for reproducing records, and such reproduction shall be treated and considered for all purposes as though it were the original record.
- (2) All provisions of law applicable to the original record shall be applicable to such reproductions.

(c) Retention of records.

(1) Records required by this part shall be preserved for a period of not less than three years from the date thereof or the date of the last entry required to be made thereon, whichever is later. However, the regional director (compliance) may require records to be kept for an additional period not exceeding three years in any case where such retention is deemed necessary or advisable for the

protection of the revenue.

(2) The period for retention of records prescribed in paragraph (c)(1) of this section shall not apply to copies of outstanding approved formulas or to copies of formulas which form the basis for claims for credit or refund of taxes on spirits returned to bonded premises. A copy of any such formula shall be kept by the proprietor at the plant where spirits are processed subject to the formula or at the plant where such spirits are received.

(d) Data processing.

- (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, record data maintained on data processing equipment may be kept at a location other than the plant premises if the original transaction (source) records required by §§19.736-19.779 are kept available for inspection at the plant premises.
- (2) Data which has been accumulated on cards, tapes, discs, or other accepted record media must be retrievable within five business days.
- (3) The applicable data processing program shall be made available for examination if requested by an ATF officer.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.724 Modified forms.

(a) Application.

Proprietors desiring to modify prescribed forms shall submit an application to the Director, through the regional director (compliance). The application shall be accompanied by:

- (1) A copy of each proposed form with typical entries; and
- (2) A statement showing the need for use of the modified forms. Modified forms shall not be used until approved by the Director.

(b) *Restrictions*.

The use of modified forms shall not relieve a proprietor from any requirement of this part. The Director may require a proprietor to immediately discontinue the use of any modified form when such use is found to pose administrative problems.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.725 Photographic copies of records.

(a) Application.

Proprietors who desire to record, copy or reproduce records, required by this part, by any process which accurately reproduces or forms a durable medium for so reproducing the original of such records, shall apply to the regional director (compliance) for permission to do so, describing:

(1) The records to be reproduced,

- (2) The reproduction process to be employed,
- (3) The manner in which the reproductions are to be preserved, and
- (4) The provisions to be made for examining, viewing, and using such reproductions.

(b) Approval.

The regional director (compliance) shall not approve any application unless the manner of preservation of the reproductions and the provisions for examining, viewing, and using such reproductions are satisfactory.

(c) Conditions.

Whenever records are reproduced under this section, the reproduced records shall be preserved in conveniently accessible files, and provisions shall be made for examining, viewing, and using the reproduced record the same as if it were the original record, and it shall be treated and considered for all purposes as though it were the original record. All provisions of law and regulations applicable to the original shall be applicable to the reproduced record. As used in this section, "original record" shall mean the record required by this part to be maintained or preserved by the proprietor, even though it may be an executed duplicate or other copy of the document.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1395, as amended, (26 U.S.C 5555))

§19.726 Authorized abbreviations to identify spirits.

The following abbreviation may be used, either alone or in conjunction with descriptive words, to identify the kind of spirits on forms or records:

Kinds of spirits	Abbreviations
Alcohol	A
Brandy	BR
Bourbon Whisky	BW
Canadian Whisky	CNW
Completely Denatured Alcohol	CDA
Corn Whisky	CW
Grain Spirits	GS
Irish Whisky	IW
Light Whisky	LW
Malt Whisky	MW
Neutral Spirits	NS
Neutral Spirits Grain	NSG
Rye Whisky	RW
Scotch Whisky	SW
Specially Denatured Alcohol	SDA
Special Denatured Rum	SDR
Tequila	TEQ
Vodka	V
Whisky	W

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

Records

§19.731 General.

(a) Entries.

- (1) Each entry required by this part to be made in daily records shall be made on the day on which the operation or transaction occurs.
- (2) When the proprietor prepares supplemental or auxiliary records concurrent with the individual operation or transaction, and these records contain all the required information with respect to the operation or transaction, entries in daily records may be deferred not later than the close of business the third business day succeeding the day on which the operation or transaction occurs.

(b) Content.

- (1) All entries in the daily records required by this subpart shall show the date of the operation or transaction.
- (2) Daily records shall accurately and clearly reflect the details of each operation or transaction and, as applicable, contain all data necessary to enable:
 - (i) Identification and proper marking and labeling of spirits, denatured spirits, or wines;
 - (ii) Proprietors to prepare summaries, reports, and returns required by this part; and

(iii) ATF officers to:

- (A) Verify and trace the quantity and movement of materials, spirits, denatured spirits, wines, or alcoholic flavoring materials involved in each transaction or operation;
- (B) Verify tax determinations and claims; and
- (C) Ascertain whether there has been compliance with law and regulations.

(c) Format.

- (1) Proprietor's copies of prescribed forms which bear all required details shall be utilized as daily records.
- (2) In instances when a form is not prescribed, the records required by this subpart shall be those commercial records used by the proprietor in his accounting system and shall bear all required details.
- (3) Daily records required by this part shall be so maintained that they clearly and accurately reflect all mandatory information. Where the format or arrangement of the daily records is such that the information is not clearly or accurately reflected, the regional director (compliance) may require a format or arrangement which will clearly and accurately reflect the information.

§19.732 Details of daily records.

The daily records required by this part shall conform to the following requirements:

- (a) Spirits shall be recorded by kind and by quantity in proof gallons, except as provided in §19.751.
- (b) Denatured spirits shall be recorded by formula number and by quantity in wine gallons.
- (c) Distilling materials produced on the premises shall be recorded by kind and by quantity in wine gallons. Chemical byproducts containing spirits, articles, spirits residues, and distilling materials received on the premises shall be recorded by kind, by percent of alcohol by volume, and by quantity in wine gallons. However, when nonliquid distilling materials which are not susceptible to such quantitative determination are received, the quantity of such materials may be determined by weight and shall be so recorded, and the alcohol content need not be recorded. When it can be shown that it is impractical to weigh or otherwise determine the exact quantity of such nonliquid materials, the proprietor may estimate the weight or volume of the material.
- (d) Wines shall be recorded by kind, by quantity in wine gallons, and by percent of alcohol by volume.
- (e) Alcoholic flavoring materials shall be recorded by kind, formula number (if any) and by quantity in proof gallons.
- (f) Containers (other than those bearing lot identification numbers) or cases involved in each operation or transaction shall be recorded by type, serial number, and the number of containers (including identifying marks on bulk conveyances), or cases. However, spirits withdrawn in cases may be recorded without the serial numbers of the cases, unless the regional director (compliance) requires such recording. Package identification numbers, number of packages, and proof gallons per package shall be recorded on deposit record in the storage account reflecting production gauges or filling of packages from tanks, however, only the lot identification, number of packages, and proof gallons per package need be shown for transactions in packages of spirits unless package identification numbers are specifically required by this part.
- (g) Materials intended for use in the production of spirits shall be recorded by kind and by quantity, recording liquids in gallons and other materials in pounds, and giving the sugar content for molasses.
- (h) The name and address of the consignee or consignor, and if any, the plant number or industrial use permit number of such person, shall be recorded for each receipt or removal of materials, spirits, denatured spirits, articles, spirits residues, and wine.
- (i) The serial number of the tank used shall be recorded for each operation or transaction.
- (j) The rate of duty paid on imported spirits shall be shown on the transaction forms or records.

- (k) Records shall identify imported spirits, spirits from Puerto Rico, and spirits from the Virgin Islands, or the records shall show that a distilled spirits product contains such spirits.
- (I) Records shall identify spirits that are to be used exclusively for fuel use.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

Production Account

§19.736 Daily production records.

(a) Spirits production.

Each proprietor shall maintain daily production account records of production operations showing:

- (1) The receipt of fermenting material or other nonalcoholic material intended for use in the production of spirits.
- (2) The receipt and use of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and spirits residues received for redistillation.
- (3) The fermenting material set in each fermenter or other material used in the production of spirits.
- (4) The distilling material produced, received for production, and used in production of spirits, or destroyed or removed from the premises before being distilled (including the residue of beer returned to the producing brewery).
- (5) The gauge of spirits in each receiving tank, the production gauge (in proof gallons) of spirits removed from each tank, and the transaction form or record and its serial number covering each removal. The details of individual packages filled pursuant to production gauge for immediate withdrawal from bonded premises shall also be recorded.
- (6) The fermenting materials or other nonalcoholic materials used or removed from the premises.
- (7) The quantity and testing for alcoholic content of fusel oil or other chemicals removed from the production system and the disposition thereof with the name of the consignee, if any.
- (8) The kind and quantity of distillates removed from the production system pursuant to §19.322.
- (9) The kind and quantity of spirits, lost or destroyed prior to production gauge. Records pertaining to the production account shall be maintained in such a manner that the spirits produced may be traced through the distilling system to the mash or other material from which produced, and the identity of the spirits thus traced may be clearly established.

(b) Byproduct spirit production.

Each proprietor who manufactures substances other than spirits, in a process which

produces spirits as a byproduct, shall maintain daily production records as to each such process showing:

- (1) The kind and quantity of materials received, unless included in records maintained under paragraph (a) of this section.
- (2) The spirits produced and disposed of.
- (3) The kind and quantity of other substances produced.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

STORAGE ACCOUNT

§19.740 Daily storage records.

(a) General.

Proprietors shall maintain daily records in the storage account which shall show for each kind of spirits or wine, as applicable:

- (1) Spirits or wines received for deposit in storage;
- (2) Spirits mingled;
- (3) Spirits in tanks;
- (4) Spirits or wines filled into packages from tanks and retained for storage;
- (5) Spirits of less than 190 degrees of proof or wines transferred from one tank to another:
- (6) Spirits returned to bond:
- (7) Spirits or wines voluntarily destroyed:
- (8) Spirits or wines lost during storage;
- (9) The transfer of spirits or wine from one package to another;
- (10) The addition of oak chips to spirits and the addition of caramel to brandy or rum; and
- (11) The disposition of spirits or wines.

(b) Records covering deposits.

The proprietor's copies of gauge records, transfer records, or tank records of wines or spirits of less than 190 degrees of proof covering: deposit in the storage account of spirits received from the production account, from customs custody, or by return to bond under subpart U of this part, or of wines or spirits from other bonded premises; packages of spirits or wines filled from tanks and retained in the storage account after mingling; and wines or spirits of less than 190 degrees of proof transferred from one tank to another, shall be utilized by the proprietor to record wines or spirits deposited in the storage account. The proprietor shall enter the date of deposit of the

spirits in storage on the record. Files of deposit records shall be maintained for spirits in packages and such files shall be arranged by producers (by warehouseman in the case of blended rums or brandies and for spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof, by the warehouseman who received the spirits from customs custody in the case of imported spirits, and by producer in the Virgin Islands or Puerto Rico in the case of Virgin Islands or Puerto Rican spirits), in chronological order according to the date of deposit in the storage account, and, when possible, in sequence by lot identification for packages. (For the purpose of records under this section spirits produced under trade names shall be treated as being produced under the real name of the proprietor [producer].) Also, files of deposit records shall be maintained, in the manner prescribed by 19.742, for wines and for spirits of less than 190 degress of proof in tanks in the storage account with a separate file for each tank of wines or spirits. In the case of spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof deposited in tanks in the storage account, the proprietor shall maintain a separate consolidated file of deposit records for all tanks, separately as to gin, vodka, and other spirits as applicable, of all such domestic spirits; all such imported spirits duty paid at the beverage rate; all such imported spirits duty paid at the nonbeverage rate; all such Virgin Islands spirits; and all such Puerto Rican spirits. Such files shall be arranged chronologically by date of deposit in the warehouse.

(c) Records covering withdrawals.

When wines or spirits other than spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof in tanks in the storage account, are withdrawn from the storage account the proprietor shall note on the record of deposit, the date and disposition of the spirits so that the files shall currently reflect the spirits remaining in the storage account. When spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof are withdrawn from tanks in the storage account the record of deposit need not be noted, but semi-annually (as of June 30 and December 31) the proprietor shall remove from his consolidated files of active deposit records all such records in excess of those required to cover the quantity of spirits shown as remaining in tanks. The deposit records so removed shall be those covering spirits first deposited in the storage account.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.741 Package summary records.

(a) General.

Each warehouseman shall keep current summary records for each kind of spirits or wines in packages, to show the spirits or wines deposited in, withdrawn from, and remaining in the storage account. Separate accounting records shall be kept for domestic spirits, imported spirits, Virgin Islands spirits, Puerto Rican spirits, and wine. Package accounts for spirits may be kept by either the season or the year the packages were filled with spirits.

(b) *Arrangement*.

Package summary records shall be prepared and arranged separately:

(1) For domestic spirits of less than 190 degrees of proof, alphabetically by State and numerically by the plant number and name of the producer or warehouseman.

- (2) For domestic spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof, alphabetically by State, and numerically by the plant number and name of the warehouseman.
- (3) For imported spirits, alphabetically by State and numerically by the plant number and name of the warehouseman who received the spirits from customs custody.
- (4) For Puerto Rican or Virgin Islands spirits, alphabetically by the name of the producer in Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.
- (5) For wine, by kind and tax rate imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5041.

(c) Details.

Package summary records shall show the following details:

- (1) The date the summarized transactions occurred;
- (2) For spirits, the number of packages and the proof gallons contained therein;
- (3) For wine, the number of packages and the wine gallons contained therein;
- (4) Gains or shortages disclosed by inventory or when an account is closed; and
- (5) Gallon balances on summary records for spirits and wines remaining in the account at the end of each month.

(d) Summarization.

Package summary records shall be consolidated at the end of each month, or for lesser periods when required by the regional director (compliance), to show for all types of containers and kinds of spirits, the total proof gallons received in, withdrawn from, and remaining in the storage account.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.742 Tank record of wine or spirits of less than 190 degrees of proof.

(a) General.

Proprietors shall keep a record for each tank (including bulk conveyance) containing wine or spirits of less than 190 degrees of proof to show deposits into, withdrawals from, and the balance remaining in each tank in the storage account. A new record shall be prepared each time wine or spirits are deposited in an empty tank. Except as otherwise provided in this section, each transaction shall be recorded on the day the transaction occurs.

(b) Arrangement.

Tank records shall be prepared and arranged:

- (1) For domestic spirits, alphabetically by State, and numerically by (i) the plant number and name of the producer, or, (ii) for blended rums or brandies, the plant number and name of the warehouseman;
- (2) For imported spirits, alphabetically by State, and numerically by the plant

number and name of the warehouseman;

- (3) For Puerto Rican or Virgin Islands spirits, alphabetically by the name of the producer in Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands; and
- (4) For wine, by kind and tax rate imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5041.

(c) Details.

Tank records shall show the following details:

- (1) Tank record serial number, beginning with "1" for each record initiated on or after January 1;
- (2) Date of each transaction;
- (3) Identification of the tank;
- (4) Kind of wine or spirits;
- (5) Number and average proof gallon content of packages of spirits dumped in the tank, or a notation indicating the deposit in the tank of spirits by pipeline;
- (6) Wine gallons of wine, or proof gallons of spirits deposited;
- (7) If subject to age, the age of the youngest spirits in years, months and days, each time spirits are deposited;
- (8) Wine gallons of wine, or proof gallons of spirits withdrawn;
- (9) Related transaction form or record and its serial number for deposits or withdrawals;
- (10) Wine gallons of wine, or proof gallons of spirits remaining in the tank, recorded at the end of each calendar month; and
- (11) Gain or loss disclosed by inventory or on emptying of the tank.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.743 Tank summary record for spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof.

(a) General.

Proprietors shall keep a tank summary record for spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof held in tanks to show the proof gallons deposited into, withdrawn from, and remaining in tanks in the storage account. A separate tank summary record shall be prepared for each kind of spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof. Entries shall be made for each day in which a transaction occurs, and shall be recorded as a summary of the individual transactions shown on the deposit records.

(b) *Arrangement*.

Tank summary records shall be prepared and arranged:

(1) For domestic spirits, alphabetically by State, and numerically by the plant number and name of the warehouseman;

- (2) For imported spirits, alphabetically by State, and numerically by the plant number of the warehouseman who received the spirits from customs custody; and
- (3) For spirits from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands, alphabetically by the name of the producer in Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.

(c) Details.

Tank summary records shall show the following details:

- (1) Kind of spirits;
- (2) Date of transactions summarized;
- (3) Proof gallons deposited;
- (4) Proof gallons withdrawn;
- (5) Proof gallons remaining in tanks; and
- (6) Gain or loss disclosed by inventory or on emptying of the tanks summarized on the record.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

Processing Account

§19.746 Processing.

Each processor shall maintain daily records of transactions and operations with respect to:

- (a) Manufacture of distilled spirits products;
- (b) Finished products;
- (c) Denaturation of spirits; and
- (d) Manufacture of articles.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.747 Records of manufacturing.

Each processor shall maintain daily records of the details of manufacturing operations, showing:

- (a) The spirits, wines, and alcoholic flavoring materials received. The total receipts shall be summarized showing (1) the spirits received from storage or production at the same plant, (2) the spirits received from other plants by transfer in bond, (3) spirits received from customs custody, (4) wines received from the storage account at the same plant, (5) wines received by transfer in bond, and (6) alcoholic flavoring materials received.
- (b) The spirits, wines, alcoholic flavoring materials, and other ingredients used in the manufacture of a distilled spirits products showing the serial number of the

dump/batch record covering such dump.

- (c) Bottling or packaging of each batch of spirits, showing the serial numbers of the bottling and packaging records covering such bottling or packaging.
- (d) The results of bottling proof and fill tests as required by §19.386.
- (e) Receipt, use and disposition of liquor bottles.
- (f) The rebottling, relabeling, and reclosing of bottled products as required by §§19.392 and 19.393.
- (g) The spirits, wines, and alcoholic flavoring materials removed from the premises.
- (h) The spirits moved to the production account for redistillation.
- (i) Redistillation of spirits, including the production of gin and vodka by means other than original and continuous distillation.
- (j) Record of alcoholic flavoring materials deposited into tanks prior to dumping showing the consignor, the date and quantity received, the name of the product, the date and quantity of each removal from the tank and losses.
- (k) Spirits returned to bond.
- (I) The voluntary destruction of spirits and wines.
- (m) The losses as provided in subpart Q of this part.

The records required by paragraph (a) of this section shall also show the name and plant number of the producer or processor (warehouseman in the case of blended beverage rums or brandies or spirits of 190 degrees of more of proof received from storage) for domestic spirits, the name of the importer and the country of origin for imported spirits, and the name and address of the producer of wines and alcoholic flavoring materials.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23953, June 7, 1985]

§19.748 Dump/batch records.

(a) Format of dump/batch records.

Proprietor's dump/batch records shall contain, as applicable, the following:

- (1) Serial number;
- (2) Name and distilled spirits plant number of the producer:
- (3) Kind and age of spirits used with a notation to indicate treatment with oak chips, addition of caramel, imported spirits, and spirits from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands;
- (4) Serial number of tank or container to which ingredients are added for use;
- (5) Serial or identification number of tank or container from which spirits are removed;

- (6) Quantity by ingredient of other alcoholic ingredients used, showing wine in wine gallons, percentage of alcohol by volume and proof, and alcoholic flavoring materials in proof gallons;
- (7) Serial number of source transaction record (e.g., record covering spirits previously dumped);
- (8) Date of each transaction;
- (9) Quantity, by ingredient (other than water), of nonalcoholic ingredients used;
- (10) Formula number;
- (11) Quantity of ingredients used in the batch that have been previously dumped, reported on dump records, and held in tanks or containers;
- (12) Total quantity in proof gallons of all alcoholic ingredients used;
- (13) Identification of each record to which spirits are transferred;
- (14) Quantity in each lot transferred;
- (15) Date of each transfer;
- (16) Total quantity in proof gallons of product transferred;
- (17) Gain or loss; and
- (18) For each batch to be tax determined in accordance with §19.35, the effective tax rate.

(b) Redistillation.

- (1) Dump/batch records shall be prepared to show spirits to be redistilled in the processing account, including the production of gin or vodka by redistillation. A dump record shall also be prepared to record the finished distillate.
- (2) When redistillation requires the use of more than one tank or other vessel in a continuous distilling system, the system may be shown on the record in lieu of preparing a separate record to show each movement of spirits between tanks or vessels.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18064, Apr. 30, 1990]

§19.749 Bottling and packaging record.

The bottling and packaging record shall be prepared and contain the following information:

- (a) Tank number(s);
- (b) Serial number (beginning with "1" at the start of each calendar or fiscal year);
- (c) Formula number (if any) under which the batch was produced;
- (d) Serial number of the dump/batch record from which received;

- (e) Kind of product (including age, if claimed);
- (f) Details of the tank gauge (including proof, wine gallons, proof gallons, and, if applicable, obscuration);
- (g) The date the bottles or packages were filled;
- (h) Size of the bottles or packages filled, number of bottles per case, and number of cases or packages filled;
- (i) Serial numbers by brand name of cases or other containers filled;
- (j) Proof of the spirits bottled or packaged (if different from subsection (f));
- (k) Total quantity bottled, packaged or otherwise disposed of in bulk;
- (I) Losses or gains; and
- (m) Whether the spirits were labeled as bottled in bond.

(Sec. 807(a), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.750 Records of alcohol content and fill tests.

- (a) Proprietors shall record the results of all tests of alcohol content and quantity (fill) conducted.
- (b) The record shall be maintained in a manner and provide information that will enable ATF officers to determine whether the proprietor has complied with the provisions of §19.386 by:
 - (1) Monitoring operations by conducting alcohol content and fill tests; and
 - (2) Employing procedures to correct variations in alcohol content and fill.
- (c) Alcohol content and fill test records shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
 - (1) Date and time of test;
 - (2) Bottling tank number;
 - (3) Serial number of bottling record;
 - (4) Bottling line designation;
 - (5) Size of bottle;
 - (6) Number of bottles tested;
 - (7) Labeled alcohol content;
 - (8) Alcohol content found by the test;
 - (9) Percentage of variation from 100 percent fill; and
 - (10) Corrective action taken, if any.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5555); Sec. 807(a), Pub. L. 96-39 (26

[T.D. ATF-237, 51 FR 36395, Oct. 10, 1986; 51 FR 37271, Oct. 21, 1986]

§19.751 Records of finished products.

Each processor shall maintain by proof gallons daily transaction records and a daily summary record of spirits bottled or packaged as follows:

- (a) Beginning and ending quantity of bottled or packaged spirits on hand;
- (b) Spirits bottled or packaged;
- (c) Bottled or packaged spirits disposed of by:
 - (1) Withdrawal on tax determination;
 - (2) Transfer in bond;
 - (3) Withdrawal free of tax or without payment of tax;
 - (4) Dumping for further processing;
 - (5) Transfer to the production account for redistillation;
 - (6) Voluntary destruction;
 - (7) Accountable losses;
 - (8) Samples;
 - (9) Inventory shortages and overages; and
 - (10) Other dispositions.

In lieu of showing the proof gallons of spirits on daily transaction records of withdrawals from bonded premises, proprietors may show the wine gallons or liters and the proof of spirits in cases. Summary records shall be used to compile the report required by §19.792.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 283, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.752 Denaturation records.

(a) General.

Each processor qualified to denature spirits shall maintain daily records of denaturation showing:

- (1) Spirits received for, and used in, denaturation;
- (2) Spirits, denatured spirits, recovered denatured spirits, spirits residues, and articles redistilled in the processing account for denaturation;
- (3) Kind and quantity of denaturants received, used in denaturation of spirits, or otherwise disposed of;
- (4) Conversion of denatured alcohol formulas in accordance with §19.460;

- (5) Denatured spirits produced, received, stored in tanks, filled into containers, removed, or otherwise disposed of;
- (6) Recovered denatured spirits or recovered articles received, restored, and/or redenatured;
- (7) Packages of denatured spirits filled with a separate record for each formula number and filed in numerical order according to the serial number or lot identification number of the packages;
- (8) Losses; and
- (9) Disposition of denatured spirits.
- (b) Record of denaturation.

Each time spirits are denatured, a record shall be prepared to show the formula number, the tank in which denaturation takes place, the proof gallons of spirits before denaturation, the quantity of each denaturant used (in gallons, or in pounds or ounces), and wine gallons of denatured spirits produced.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.753 Record of article manufacture.

Each processor qualified to manufacture articles shall maintain daily records arranged by the name and authorized use code of the article to show the following:

- (a) Quantity, by formula number of denatured spirits used in the manufacture of the article;
- (b) Quantity of each article manufactured: and
- (c) Quantity of each article removed, or otherwise disposed of, including the name and address of the person to whom sold or otherwise disposed of.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

Tax Records

SOURCE: Sections 19.761 through 19.765 added by T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18064, Apr. 30, 1990, unless otherwise noted.

§19.761 Record of tax determination.

A serially numbered invoice or shipping document, signed or initialed by an agent or employee of the proprietor, will constitute the record of tax determination. Although neither the proof gallons nor effective tax rates need be shown on the record of tax determination, there shall be shown on each invoice or shipping document sufficient information to enable ATF officers to determine the total proof gallons and, if applicable, each effective tax rate and the proof gallons removed at each effective tax rate. For purposes of this part, the total proof gallons calculated from each invoice or shipping document constitutes a single withdrawal.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.762 Daily summary record of tax determinations.

Each proprietor of a distilled spirits plant who withdraws distilled spirits on determination of tax, but before payment of tax, shall maintain a daily summary record of tax determinations. The summary record will show, for each day on which tax determinations occur:

- (a) The serial numbers of the records of tax determination, the total proof gallons, rounded to the nearest tenth proof gallon on which tax was determined at each effective tax rate, and the total tax; or
- (b) The serial numbers of the records of tax determination, the total tax for each record of tax determination and the total tax.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.763 Record of average effective tax rates.

- (a) For each distilled spirits product to be tax determined in accordance with §19.37, the proprietor shall prepare a daily summary record showing the--
 - (1) Serial number of the batch record of each batch of the product which will be bottled or packaged, in whole or in part, for domestic consumption;
 - (2) Proof gallons in each such batch derived from distilled spirits, eligible wine, and eligible flavors; and
 - (3) Tax liabilities of each such batch determined as follows:
 - (i) Proof gallons of all distilled spirits (exclusive of distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors), multiplied by the tax rate prescribed in 26 U.S.C. 5001;
 - (ii) Wine gallons of each eligible wine, multiplied by the tax rate which would be imposed on the wine under 26 U.S.C. 5041(b)(1), (2), or (3) but for its removal to bonded premises; and
 - (iii) Proof gallons of all distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors to the extent that such distilled spirits exceed 2½% of the proof gallons in the product, multiplied by the tax rate prescribed in 26 U.S.C. 5001.
- (b) At the end of each month during which the product is manufactured, the proprietor shall determine the--
 - (1) Total proof gallons and total tax liabilities for each summary record prescribed by paragraph (a) of this section;
 - (2) Add the sums from paragraph (b)(1) of this section to the like sums determined for each of the preceding five months; and
 - (3) Divide the total tax liabilities by the total proof gallons.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.764 Inventory reserve records.

(a) General.

The proprietor shall establish an inventory reserve account, as provided in this section, for each eligible distilled spirits product to be tax determined in accordance with §19.38.

(b) Deposit records.

For each batch of the product bottled or packaged, the proprietor shall enter into the inventory reserve account a deposit record, which may be combined with the bottling and packaging record required by §19.749 showing the:

- (1) Name of the product;
- (2) Bottling and packaging record serial number;
- (3) Date the bottling or packaging was completed;
- (4) Total proof gallons bottled and packaged; and
- (5) Effective tax rate of the product computed in accordance with §19.34.

(c) Depletions.

The inventory reserve account for each product will be depleted in the same order in which the deposit records were entered into such account. A depletion will be recorded for each disposition (e.g., a taxable removal, an exportation, an inventory shortage or breakage) by entering on the deposit record the:

- (1) Transaction date,
- (2) Transaction record serial number,
- (3) Proof gallons disposed of, and
- (4) Proof gallons remaining. If any depletion exceeds the quantity of product remaining on the deposit record, the remaining quantity will be depleted, the deposit record closed, and the remainder of the transaction depleted from the next deposit record.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.765 Standard effective tax rates.

For each product to be tax determined using a standard effective tax rate in accordance with §19.36, the proprietor shall prepare a record of the standard effective tax rate computation showing, for one proof gallon of the finished product, the following information:

- (a) The name of the product;
- (b) The least quantity of each eligible flavor which will be used in the product, in proof gallons, or 0.025 proof gallon, whichever is less;
- (c) The least quantity of each eligible wine which will be used in the product, in proof gallons;
- (d) The greatest effective tax rate applicable to the product, calculated in accordance

with §19.34 with the values indicated in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section; and

(e) The date on which the use of the standard effective tax rate commenced.

Other Records

§19.766 Record of samples.

(a) Requirement.

The proprietor shall maintain records of all samples taken pursuant to subpart V of this part.

(b) Schedule.

- (1) When the proprietor takes samples pursuant to an established schedule, such schedule may be maintained as the required record if it contains that information required by paragraphs (c)(2) through (c)(8).
- (2) When unanticipated samples are taken, the schedule shall be appropriately supplemented.

(c) Detail.

Sample records shall show:

- (1) Date samples were taken;
- (2) Type and identification of container from which taken;
- (3) Account from which taken;
- (4) Purpose for which taken;
- (5) Size and number of samples taken;
- (6) Kind of spirits;
- (7) Disposition of the sample (e.g., destroyed, returned to containers or the distilling system, retained for library purposes); and
- (8) Name and address of the person to whom samples were sent when the samples are to be analyzed or tested elsewhere than at the plant where secured.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.767 Record of destruction.

The proprietor shall record details of the voluntary destruction of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines as follows:

- (a) Identification of the spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines to include, as applicable, kind, quantity, elements of gauge, name and permit number of the producer, warehouseman or processor, and identification and type of container.
- (b) The date, time, place and manner of the destruction;

- (c) A statement of whether or not the spirits had previously been withdrawn and returned to bond; and
- (d) The name and title of the proprietor's representative who accomplished or supervised the destruction.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.768 Gauge record.

When gauges are required to be made by this part or by the regional director (compliance), the proprietor shall prepare a gauge record to show:

- (a) Serial number, commencing with "1" at the start of each calendar or fiscal year;
- (b) Reason for making the gauge:
 - (1) Production gauge and entry for deposit in the storage or processing account at the plant where produced;
 - (2) Packaging of spirits or wine filled from a tank in the storage account at the same plant;
 - (3) Transfer from the processing or storage account to the production account for redistillation:
 - (4) Repackaging of spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof; or
 - (5) Gauge on return to bond in the production or processing account of spirits, denatured spirits, recovered spirits, recovered denatured spirits, articles, recovered articles, or spirits residues.
- (c) Date of gauge;
- (d) Related form or record (identification, serial number and date);
- (e) Kind of spirits or formula number of denatured spirits;
- (f) Proof of distillation (not required for denatured spirits, spirits for redistillation, or spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof);
- (g) When containers are to be filled, the type and number of containers;
- (h) Age of spirits;
 - (i) Name and plant number of the producer or warehouseman; and
- (j) Gauge data:
 - (1) Package identification, tank number, volumetric or weight gauge details, proof, and wine gallons;
 - (2) Cooperage identification ("C" for charred, "REC" for recharred, "P" for plain, "PAR"for paraffined, "G" for glued, or "R" for reused);
 - (3) Entry proof for whiskey;

- (4) Proof gallons per filled package; and
- (5) Total proof gallons of spirits or wine gallons of denatured spirits, recovered denatured spirits, articles, spirits residues, or wine.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.769 Package gauge record.

When required by this part and Part 252, a record shall be prepared to document the gauge of packages of spirits and to convey information on package gauges. The following information shall be recorded:

- (a) Date prepared;
- (b) Identification of the related transaction form or record, and its serial number;
- (c) The name and plant number of the producer or processor (For blended rums or brandies enter name(s) and plant number of blending warehouseman. For spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof, name and plant number of the producer or warehouseman, as appropriate; where the packages have already been marked, the name and plant number marked thereon. For imported spirits, the name of the warehouseman who received the spirits from customs custody and name of importer. For Virgin Islands or Puerto Rican spirits, the name of the producer in the Virgin Islands or Puerto Rico);
- (d) proof of distillation for spirits not over 190 degrees proof; and
- (e) For each package--
 - (1) Serial or identification number;
 - (2) Designate wooden barrels as "C" for charred, "REC" for recharred, "P" for plain, "PAR" for paraffined, "G" for glued, "R" for reused, and "PS" if a barrel has been steamed or water soaked before filling;
 - (3) Kind of spirits;
 - (4) Gross weight determined at the time of original gauge, regauge, or at time of shipment;
 - (5) Present tare on regauge;
 - (6) Net weight for filling gauge or regauge;
 - (7) Proof;
 - (8) Proof gallons for regauge;
 - (9) Original proof gallons; and
 - (10) Receiving weights, when a material difference appears on receipt after transfer in bond of weighed packages.

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(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 93-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.770 Transfer record.

(a) Consignor.

When required by this part, proprietors shall prepare a transfer record. The transfer record shall show: (1) Serial number, commencing with "1" on January 1 of each year;

- (2) Serial number and date of ATF Form 5100.16 (not required for wine spirits withdrawn without payment of tax for use in wine production);
- (3) Name and distilled spirits plant number of consignor;
- (4) Name and distilled spirits plant number or bonded wine cellar number of the consignee;
- (5) Account from which the spirits or wines were removed for transfer (i.e., production, storage, or processing account);
- (6) Description of the spirits, denatured spirits, or wine--
 - (i) Name and plant number of the producer, warehouseman or processor (Not required for denatured spirits or wine. For imported spirits, record the name and plant number of the warehouseman or processor who received the spirits from customs custody. For transfer of imported spirits from customs custody to ATF bond, record the name of the foreign producer. For Virgin Islands or Puerto Rican spirits, show the name of the producer in the Virgin Islands or Puerto Rico. For spirits of different producers or warehousemen which have been mixed in the processing account, record the name of the processor.);
 - (ii) Kind of spirits or wines (For denatured spirits, show kind and formula number. For alcohol, show material from which produced. For bulk spirits and for alcohol in packages, show kind and proof. For other spirits and wines, use kind designation as defined in 27 CFR Part 4 or 5 as appropriate);
 - (iii) Age (in years, months, and days) and year of production;
 - (iv) Number of packages or cases with their lot identification numbers or serial numbers and date of fill;
 - (v) Type of container (If spirits, denatured spirits or wines are to be transferred by pipeline, show "P/L".);
 - (vi) Proof gallons for distilled spirits, or wine gallons for denatured spirits or wine;
 - (vii) Conveyance identification; and
 - (viii) For distilled spirits products which contain eligible wine or eligible flavors, the elements necessary to compute the effective tax rate as follows:
 - (A) Proof gallons of distilled spirits (exclusive of distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors);

- (B) Wine gallons of each eligible wine and the percentage of alcohol by volume of each; and
- (C) Proof gallons of distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors.
- (7) Notation to indicate when spirits are being transferred in bond from production facility to another plant;
- (8) Identification of seals, locks or other devices affixed to the conveyance or package (Permanent seals affixed to a conveyance and which remain intact need not be recorded on the transfer record when a permanent record is maintained);
- (9) Date: and
- (10) Signature and title of the consignor with the penalties of perjury statement required by §19.100.

(b) Consignee.

- (1) When a proprietor receives wine from a bonded wine cellar, the consignee shall complete Form 703 covering such transfer in accordance with the instructions thereon.
- (2) When a proprietor receives spirits from an alcohol fuel plant or from customs custody, or spirits, denatured spirits and wines from the bonded premises of another distilled spirits plant, he shall record the results of such receipt on the related transfer record as follows:
 - (i) Date of receipt;
 - (ii) Notation whether the securing devices on the conveyance were or were not intact on arrival (not applicable to spirits transferred in unsecured conveyances or denatured spirits);
 - (iii) Gauge of spirits, denatured spirits, or wine showing the tank number, proof (percent of alcohol by volume for wine) and elements of the weight or volumetric determination of quantity, wine gallons or proof gallons received, and any losses or gains;
 - (iv) Notation of excessive in-transit loss, missing packages, tampering, or apparent theft;
 - (v) Account into which the spirits, denatured spirits or wines were deposited (i.e., production, storage or processing); and
 - (vi) Signature and title of the consignee with the penalties of perjury statement required by §19.100.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18065, Apr. 30, 1990; 55 FR 23635, June 11, 1990]

§19.773 Daily record of wholesale liquor dealer and taxpaid storeroom operations.

Where the proprietor, in connection with his plant, conducts wholesale liquor dealer operations, or operates a taxpaid storeroom, on, contiguous to, adjacent to, or in the immediate vicinity of general plant premises, or operates taxpaid storage premises at another location from which distilled spirits are not sold at wholesale, he shall maintain daily records of the receipt and disposition of all distilled spirits and wines at such premises, and of all reclosing and relabeling operations. The provisions of this section shall also apply to products returned to a wholesale liquor dealer or taxpaid storeroom from the market. A separate record shall be kept for each such premises. The records in respect of the receipt and disposition of distilled spirits and wines shall contain all data necessary (consisting of or supported by records including bills of lading and invoices) to enable ATF officers to identify and trace such receipt and dispositions and to ascertain whether there has been compliance with all laws and regulations relating thereto. In addition to any other information shown therein, such records shall include:

(a) For receipts and dispositions--

- (1) The date of the transaction (or date of discovery in the case of casualty or theft);
- (2) The name and address of each consignor or consignee, as the case may be;
- (3) The brand name;
- (4) The kind of spirits;
- (5) The actual quantity of distilled spirits involved (proof and proof gallons if in packages, wine gallons or liters and proof if in bottles);
- (6) The package identification or serial numbers of packages involved;
- (7) The name of the producer; and
- (8) The country of origin, if imported spirits.

(b) For case dispositions

--In addition to the requirements listed in paragraph (a) of this section the regional director (compliance) may, upon notice to the dealer, require the recording of case serial numbers for dispositions.

(c) For reclosing or relabeling operations--

- (1) The date of the transaction;
- (2) The serial numbers of cases involved;
- (3) The total number of bottles;
- (4) The name of the bottler; and
- (5) The number and kind of strip stamps used and/or the number of alternative devices used.

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(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5555))

§19.774 Record of inventories.

(a) General.

Each proprietor shall make a record of inventories of spirits, denatured spirits, and wines required by §§19.329, 19.353, 19.401, 19.402, and 19.464. The following information shall be shown:

- (1) Date taken;
- (2) Identification of container(s);
- (3) Kind and quantity of spirits, denatured spirits, and wines;
- (4) Losses (whether by theft, voluntary destruction or otherwise), gains or shortages; and
- (5) Signature, under penalties of perjury, of the proprietor or person taking the inventory.

(b) *Production*.

Each proprietor shall record the quarterly inventory of spirits as provided in paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) Storage.

- (1) Each proprietor shall record the quarterly inventory of spirits and wines (except those in packages) as provided in paragraph (a) of this section.
- (2) Gains or losses disclosed for each container shall be recorded on the current tank record (or summary record for spirits of 190 degrees or more of proof).

(d) *Processing*.

Each proprietor shall record inventories as provided in paragraph (a) of this section, and for:

- (1) Bulk spirits and wines in process, any gains or losses shall be recorded on the individual dump, batch, or bottling record;
- (2) Finished products in bottles and packages, any overages, losses, and shortages for the total quantity inventoried shall be recorded in records required by §19.751; and
- (3) Denatured spirits, any gains or losses shall be recorded in the record prescribed by §19.752.

(e) Retention.

Inventory records shall be retained by the proprietor and made available for inspection by ATF officers.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.775 Record of securing devices.

Each proprietor shall maintain a record of securing devices by serial number showing the number received, affixed to conveyances (in serial order), and otherwise disposed of.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.776 Record of scale tests.

Proprietors shall maintain records of results of tests conducted in accordance with §19.273 and §19.276.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.778 Removal on or after January 1, 1987 of Puerto Rican and Virgin Islands spirits, and rum imported from all other areas.

(a) General.

The proprietor shall maintain separate accounts, in proof gallons, of Puerto Rican spirits having an alcoholic content of at least 92 percent rum, of Virgin Islands spirits having an alcoholic content of at least 92 percent rum, and of rum imported from all other areas removed from the processing account on determination of tax. Quantities of spirits in these categories that are contained in products mixed in processing with other alcoholic ingredients may be determined by using the methods provided in paragraphs (b), (c), or (d) of this section. The proprietor shall report these quantities monthly on Form 5110.28, Monthly Report of Processing Operations, as provided in §19.792.

(b) Standard method.

For purposes of the separate accounts, quantities of spirits in the above categories may be determined based on the least amount of such spirits which may be used in each product as stated in the approved formula, ATF F 5110.38.

(c) Averaging method.

For purposes of the separate accounts, quantities of spirits in the above categories may be determined by computing the average quantity of such spirits contained in all batches of the same product formulation manufactured during the preceding 6-month period. The average shall be adjusted at the end of each month so as to include only the preceding 6-month period.

(d) *Alternative method*.

Distilled spirits plant proprietors who wish to use an alternative method for determining the amount of spirits in these categories contained as ingredients of other distilled spirits products shall file an application with the Director. The written application shall specifically describe the proposed alternative method, and shall set forth the reasons for using the alternative method.

(e) Transitional rule.

On January 1, 1987 the proprietor shall take physical inventories of all Puerto Rican

spirits, Virgin Islands spirits, and rum imported from all other areas which were received into the processing account prior to that date. These inventories may be taken as provided in §19.402(a)(2). The results of the inventories shall be submitted in a letter to the regional director (compliance) within 30 days of the required date of the inventories.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1394, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5555))

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§19.779 Record of shipment of spirits and specially denatured spirits withdrawn free of tax.

(a) General.

The proprietor shall prepare a record of shipment, and forward the original to the consignee and file a copy, when:

- (1) Samples of specially denatured spirits in excess of five gallons are withdrawn in accordance with §19.540(c)(2);
- (2) Spirits are withdrawn free of tax in accordance with §19.536(a)--
- (c); and
 - (3) Specially denatured spirits are withdrawn free of tax in accordance with §§19.536(d) and 19.540.
- (b) *Form of record*.
 - (1) The record of shipment prescribed in this section may consist of a proprietor's commercial invoice, bill of lading, or another document intended for the same purpose. Any commercial document used as a record of shipment shall:
 - (i) Be preprinted with the name and address of the proprietor,
 - (ii) Be sequentially numbered, and
 - (iii) Be consistently used for the intended purpose.
 - (2) In addition to any other information on the document, the record of shipment shall contain, as applicable, the following information:
 - (i) Date of shipment;
 - (ii) Name, address, and permit number of consignee;
 - (iii) Kind of spirits;
 - (iv) Proof of spirits:
 - (v) Formula number(s), for specially denatured spirits;
 - (vi) Number and size of containers:
 - (vii) Package identification numbers or serial numbers of containers; and

(viii) Total wine gallons (specially denatured spirits) or total proof gallons (tax-free alcohol).

(Records relating to tax-free alcohol approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1512-0334; records relating to specially denatured spirits approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1512-0337)

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

[T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9162, Mar. 6, 1985]

§19.780 Record of distilled spirits shipped to manufacturers of nonbeverage products.

(a) General.

Where distilled spirits are shipped to a manufacturer of nonbeverage products, the proprietor shall prepare a record of shipment, forward the original to the consignee, and retain a copy.

(b) *Form of record*.

The record of tax determination prescribed by §19.761, or any other document issued by the proprietor and containing the necessary information, may be used as the record of shipment.

(c) Required information.

In addition to any other information on the document, the document used as the record of shipment must contain the following information:

- (1) Name, address and registry number of the proprietor;
- (2) Date of shipment;
- (3) Name and address of the consignee;
- (4) Kind, proof, and quantity of distilled spirits in each container;
- (5) Number of containers of each size;
- (6) Package identification numbers or serial numbers of containers;
- (7) Serial number of the applicable record of tax determination; and
- (8) For distilled spirits containing eligible wine or eligible flavors, the effective tax rate.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201 Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

[T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18065, Apr. 30, 1990, as amended by T.D. ATF-379, 61 FR 31426, June 20, 1996]

Submission of Forms and Reports

§19.791 Submission of transaction forms.

Completed copies of transaction forms which must be submitted to the regional director

(compliance) under the provisions of this part shall be submitted by the proprietor no later than the close of business the third business day succeeding the day of the transaction as provided by this part and by instructions on the individual forms.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 97-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.792 Reports.

- (a) Reports required by this section shall be prepared as of the end of the applicable reporting period. The original shall be submitted to the regional director (compliance) and a copy retained by the proprietor.
- (b) Proprietors shall submit the following summary reports of their operations:

Title	Form No.	Reporting period
(1) Production report	5110.40	Monthly.
(2) Storage report	5110.11	Do.
(3) Processing reports		
(i) Manufacturing/bottling	5110.28	Do.
(ii) Denaturation (including articles).	5110.43	Do.

(c) All reports required by this part shall be prepared and submitted to the regional director (compliance) not later than the 15th day of the month following the close of the reporting period.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1512-0198)

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 98 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-206, 50 FR 23953, June 7, 1985]

Subpart X--Production of Vinegar by the Vaporizing Process

Scope of subpart

§19.821 Production of vinegar by the vaporizing process.

The regulations in this subpart relate to the production of vinegar by the vaporizing process. The regulations cover requirements governing the location, qualification, changes after qualification, construction, equipment, plant operations and records of operations at vinegar plants. Except where incorporated by reference, the provisions of subpart A through W and subpart Y of this part do not apply to vinegar plants using the vaporizing process. The following provisions of this part shall apply to this subpart: the meaning of terms, §19.11; other businesses, §19.68; right of entry and examination, §19.81; furnishing facilities and assistance, §19.86; restrictions as to location, §19.131; registry of stills, §19.169; and maintenance and preservation of records, §19.723.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1390, as amended, 1391, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5501-5505))

Qualification Documents

§19.822 Application.

Each person, before commencing the business of manufacturing vinegar by the vaporizing process shall make written application to the regional director (compliance). The application will include:

- (a) The applicant's name and principal business address (including the plant address if different from the principal business address);
- (b) Description of the extent of the premises;
- (c) Description of the type of operations to be conducted; and
- (d) Description of the stills including the name and residence of the owner, the kind of still, its capacity and the purpose for which it was set up.

The applicant shall receive and approved application from the regional director (compliance) prior to commencing business.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1390, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5502))

§19.823 Changes after original qualification.

When there is a change in the information recorded in the original approved application, the proprietor shall make a written notice of the change to the regional director (compliance). The notice will identify the change and the effective date of the change.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1390, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5502))

§19.824 Notice of permanent discontinuance of business.

A proprietor who intends to permanently discontinue operations shall make written notice to the regional director (compliance). The proprietor shall include in the notice a statement of the status of the stills.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1390, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5502))

Construction and Equipment

§19.825 Construction and equipment.

A proprietor of a vinegar plant shall construct and equip the vinegar plant so that-

- (a) The distilled spirits vapors that are separated by the vaporizing process from the mash produced by the manufacturer are condensed only by introducing them into the water or other liquid used in making the vinegar; and
- (b) The distilled spirits produced can be accurately accounted for and are secure from unlawful removal from the premises or from unauthorized use.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1390, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5502))

Plant Operations

§19.826 Authorized operations.

Vinegar manufacturers qualified under this subpart are authorized to-

- (a) Produce vinegar only by the vaporizing process; and
- (b) Produce distilled spirits of 30 degrees of proof or less only for use in the manufacture of vinegar on the vinegar plant premises.

§19.827 Conduct of operations.

Vinegar manufacturers qualified under this subpart may--

- (a) Separate by a vaporizing process the distilled spirits from the mash produced by him; and
- (b) Condense the distilled spirits vapors by introducing them into the water or other liquid used in making the vinegar.

§19.828 Removals from the premises.

No person shall remove from the vinegar plant premises vinegar or other fluid or material containing more than 2% alcohol by volume.

Records

§19.829 Daily records.

Each manufacturer of vinegar by the vaporizing process shall keep accurate and complete daily records of production operations that include--

- (a) The kind and quantity of fermenting or distilling materials received on the premises;
- (b) The kind and quantity of materials fermented or mashed;
- (c) The proof gallons of distilled spirits produced;
- (d) The proof gallons of distilled spirits used in the manufacture of vinegar;
- (e) The wine gallons of vinegar produced; and
- (f) The wine gallons of vinegar removed from the premises.

Separate government records need not be kept as long as commercial records contain all the required information.

Administrative and Miscellaneous

§19.830 Application of distilled spirits tax.

The internal revenue tax must be paid on any distilled spirits produced in or removed from the premises of a vinegar plant in violation of law or this subpart.

Subpart Y--Distilled Spirits For Fuel Use

§19.901 Scope of subpart.

This subpart implements 26 U.S.C. 5181, which authorizes the establishment of distilled spirits plants solely for producing, processing and storing, and using or distributing

distilled spirits to be used exclusively for fuel use. This subpart relates to the qualification and operation of such distilled spirits plants. Distilled spirits plants established under this subpart are designated as alcohol fuel plants.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.902 Waiver for alcohol fuel plants.

All provisions of subparts A through X of this part and all provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 are hereby waived except:

- (a) Any provision specifically incorporated by reference in this subpart and the cited authority for that provision;
- (b) Any provision requiring the payment of tax;
- (c) Any provisions dealing with penalty, seizure, or forfeiture which is applicable to distilled spirits; and
- (d) 26 U.S.C. 5181.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 93-224, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.903 Alternate methods or procedures.

The proprietor, on specific approval by the Director as provided in this paragraph, may use an alternate method or procedure in lieu of a method or procedure specifically prescribed in this subpart or subparts A through X of this part where the provisions of those subparts have been incorporated by reference in this subpart. The Director may approve an alternate method or procedure, subject to stated conditions, when he finds that--

- (a) Good cause has been shown for the use of the alternate method or procedure;
- (b) The alternate method or procedure is within the purpose of, and consistent with the effect intended by, the specifically prescribed method or procedure, and affords equivalent security to the revenue; and
- (c) The alternate method or procedure will not be contrary to any applicable provision of law, and will not result in an increase in cost to the Government or hinder the effective administration of this part. No alternate method or procedure relating to the giving of any bond, to the assessment, payment or collection of tax, will be authorized under this section. Where the proprietor desires to employ an alternate method or procedure, he shall submit a written application to do so to the regional director (compliance), for transmittal to the Director. The application will specifically describe the proposed alternate method or procedure, and will set forth the reasons therefor. The proprietor shall not employ any alternate method or procedure until the application has been approved. The proprietor shall, during the period of authorization of an alternate method or procedure, comply with the terms of the approved application. Authorization for any alternate method or procedure may be withdrawn whenever in the judgment of the Director the revenue is jeopardized or the effective administration of this part is hindered by the continuation of such authorization. As used in this section, alternate methods or procedures include alternate construction or equipment. The proprietor shall retain, as part of the records available for examination by AFT officers, any application approved by the Director

under the provisions of this section.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.904 Emergency variations from requirements.

The regional director (compliance) may approve construction, equipment, and methods of operation other than as specified in this part, where he finds that an emergency exists and the proposed variations from the specified requirements are necessary, and the proposed variations--

- (a) Will afford the security and protection to the revenue intended by the prescribed specifications;
- (b) Will not hinder the effective administration of this part; and
- (c) Will not be contrary to any applicable provisions of law. Variations from requirements granted under this section are conditioned on compliance with the procedures, conditions, and limitations with respect thereto set forth in the approval of the application. Failure to comply in good faith with such procedures, conditions, and limitations will automatically terminate the authority for such variations and the proprietor thereupon shall fully comply with the prescribed requirements of regulations from which the variations were authorized. Authority for any variation may be withdrawn whenever in the judgment of the regional director (compliance) the revenue is jeopardized or the effective administration of this part is hindered by the continuation of such variation. Where the proprietor desires to employ such variation, he shall submit a written application to do so to the regional director (compliance). The application will describe the proposed variations and set forth the reasons therefor. Variations will not be employed until the application has been approved, except when the emergency requires immediate action to correct a situation that is threatening to life or property. Such corrective action may then be taken concurrent with the filing of the application and notification of the regional director (compliance), via telephone. The proprietor shall retain, as part of the records available for examination by ATF officers, any application approved by the regional director (compliance) under the provisions of this section.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.905 Taxes.

Distilled spirits may be withdrawn free of tax from the premises of an alcohol fuel plant exclusively for fuel use in accordance with this subpart. Payment of tax will be required in the case of diversion of spirits to beverage use or other unauthorized dispositions. The provisions of subpart C of this part are applicable to distilled spirits for fuel use as follows:

- (a) Imposition of tax liability (§§19.21 through 19.25);
- (b) Assessment of tax (§§19.31 and 19.32); and
- (c) Claims for tax (§§19.41 and 19.44).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1314, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5001); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.906 Special (occupational) tax.

(a) General rule.

A proprietor of an alcohol fuel plant established under this subpart shall be subject to a special (occupational) tax as prescribed in subpart Ca of this part, and shall hold a separate special tax stamp to cover the alcohol fuel operations.

(b) Exemption for small plants (effective July 1, 1989).

On and after July 1, 1989, paragraph (a) of this section shall not apply to small alcohol fuel plants as defined in §19.907. If the annual production (including receipts) of a small plant exceeds 10,000 proof gallons in any calendar year, special tax is due as provided in §19.49(a)(1) for the special tax year (July 1 through June 30) commencing during that calendar year, regardless of whether an application for change of plant type under §19.921(a) has been filed or approved. If a medium or large plant produces 10,000 or fewer proof gallons (including receipts) in any calendar year, the plant shall be exempt from special tax under this paragraph, as for a small plant, for the special tax year (July 1 through June 30) commencing during that calendar year, regardless of whether an application under §19.921(c) has been filed or approved.

(26 U.S.C. 5081)

[T.D. ATF-271, 53 FR 17543, May 17, 1988, as amended by T.D. ATF-285, 53 FR 12609, Mar. 28, 1989; T.D. ATF-312, 56 FR 31077, July 9, 1991]

Definitions

§19.907 Meaning of terms.

When used in this subpart, and in forms prescribed under this subpart, terms shall have the meaning given in this section. Words in the plural form include the singular and vice versa, and words indicating the masculine gender include the feminine. The terms "includes" and "including" do not exclude things not enumerated which are in the same general class.

Alcohol fuel plant or plant. An establishment qualified under this subpart solely for producing, processing and storing, and using or distributing distilled spirits to be used exclusively for fuel use.

Alcohol fuel producer's permit. The document issued pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 5181 authorizing the person named therein to engage in business as an alcohol fuel plant.

ATF officer. An officer or employee of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) authorized to perform any function relating to the administration or enforcement of this subpart.

Bonded premises. The premises of an alcohol fuel plant where distilled spirits are produced, processed and stored, and used or distributed. Premises of small alcohol fuel plants, which are exempt from bonding under §19.912(b), shall be treated as bonded premises for purposes of this subpart.

CFR. The Code of Federal Regulations.

Director. The Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC.

Fuel alcohol. Distilled spirits which have been rendered unfit for beverage use at an alcohol fuel plant as provided in this subpart.

Gallon or wine gallon. The liquid measure equivalent to the volume of 231 cubic inches.

Person. An individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company or corporation.

Proof. The ethyl alcohol content of a liquid at 60 degrees Fahrenheit, stated as twice the percent of ethyl alcohol by volume.

Proof gallon. A gallon of liquid at 60 degrees Fahrenheit which contains 50 percent by volume of ethyl alcohol having a specific gravity of 0.7939 at 60 degrees Fahrenheit referred to water at 60 degrees Fahrenheit as unity, or the alcoholic equivalent thereof.

Proprietor. The person qualified under this subpart to operate the alcohol fuel plant.

Region. A Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms region.

Regional director (compliance). The principal regional official responsible for administering regulations in this subpart.

Render unfit for beverage use. The addition to distilled spirits of materials which will not impair the quality of the spirits for fuel use as prescribed and authorized by the provisions of this subpart.

Secretary. The Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate.

Spirits or distilled spirits. That substance known as ethyl alcohol, ethanol, or spirits of wine in any form (including all dilutions and mixtures thereof from whatever source or by whatever process produced), but not fuel alcohol unless specifically stated. For purposes of this subpart, the term does not include spirits produced from petroleum, natural gas, or coal.

This chapter. Title 27, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter I [27 CFR Chapter I].

Transfer in bond. The transfer of spirits between alcohol fuel plants or the transfer of spirits to or from a distilled spirits plant qualified under 26 U.S.C. 5171 and an alcohol fuel plant.

Type of plant. The following three types of alcohol fuel plants are recognized in this subpart:

(a) *Small plant*.

An alcohol fuel plant which produces (including receipts) not more than 10,000 proof gallons of spirits per calendar year.

(b) *Medium plant*.

An alcohol fuel plant which produces (including receipts) more than 10,000 and not

more than 500,000 proof gallons of spirits per calendar year.

(c) Large plant.

An alcohol fuel plant which produces (including receipts) more than 500,000 proof gallons of spirits per calendar year.

U.S.C. The United States Code.

Permits

§19.910 Application for permit required.

Any person wishing to establish an alcohol fuel plant shall first make application for and obtain an alcohol fuel producer's permit. The application for a permit will be on Form 5110.74. The application, in duplicate, will be submitted to the regional director (compliance). The description of stills on the approved application constitutes registration of stills as required by 27 CFR 196.45. Alcohol fuel producers' permits are continuing unless automatically terminated under §19.920, suspended or revoked as provided in §19.950, or voluntarily surrendered.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1355, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5179); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.911 Criteria for issuance of permit.

In general, an alcohol fuel producer's permit will be issued to any person who completes the required application for permit and who furnishes the required bond (if any). However, the regional director (compliance) may institute proceedings for the denial of the application, if the regional director (compliance) determines that:

- (a) The applicant (including, in the case of a corporation, any officer, director, or principal stockholder, and in the case of a partnership, a partner) is, by reason of business experience, financial standing, or trade connections, not likely to maintain operations in compliance with 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, or regulations issued thereunder; or
- (b) The applicant has failed to disclose any material information required, or has made any false statement, as to any material fact, in connection with the application; or
- (c) The premises on which the applicant proposes to conduct the operations are not adequate to protect the revenue. The procedures applicable to denial of applications are set forth in 27 CFR Part 200.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.912 Small plants.

Persons wishing to establish a small plant shall apply for a permit as provided in this section. Except as provided in paragraph (c) of §19.913, operations may not be commenced until the permit has been issued.

(a) Application for permit.

The application (Form 5110.74) shall be submitted to the regional director (compliance) and shall set forth the following information:

- (1) Name and mailing address of the applicant, and the location of the alcohol fuel plant if not apparent from the mailing address;
- (2) A diagram of the plant premises and a statement as to the ownership of the premises (if the premises are not owned by the proprietor, the owner's consent to access by ATF officers must be furnished);
- (3) A description of all stills and a statement of their maximum capacity;
- (4) The materials from which spirits will be produced; and
- (5) A description of the security measures to be used to protect premises, buildings and equipment where spirits are produced, processed, and stored.
- (b) *Bond*.

No bond is required for small plants.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.913 Action on applications to establish small plants.

- (a) Receipt by the regional director (compliance).
 - (1) Notice of receipt--Within 15 days of receipt of the application, the regional director (compliance) shall send a written notice of receipt to the applicant. The notice will include a statement as to whether the application meets the requirements of §19.912. If the application does not meet those requirements, the application will be returned and a new 15-day period will commence upon receipt by the regional director (compliance) of the amended or corrected application.
 - (2) *Failure to give notice*. If the required notice of receipt is not sent, and the applicant has a receipt indicating that the regional director (compliance) has received the application, the 45-day period provided for in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section will commence on the fifteenth day after the date the regional director (compliance) received the application.
 - (3) *Limitation*. The provisions of subparagraphs (1) and (2) of this section apply only to:
 - (i) The first application submitted with respect to any one small plant in any calendar quarter; and
 - (ii) An amended or corrected first application.
- (b) Determination by the regional director (compliance).

Within 45 days from the date the regional director (compliance) sent the applicant a notice of receipt of a completed application, the regional director (compliance) shall either (1) issue the permit, or (2) give notice in writting to the applicant, stating in detail the reason that a permit will not be issued. Denial of an application will not prejudice any further application for a permit made by the same applicant.

(c) Presumption of approval.

If, within 45 days from the date of the notice to the applicant of receipt of a completed application, the regional director (compliance) has not notified the applicant of issuance of the permit or denial of the application, the application shall be deemed to have been approved and the applicant may proceed if a permit had been issued.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.914 Medium plants.

Any person wishing to establish a medium plant shall make application for and obtain in alcohol fuel producer's permit. Operations may not be commenced until the application has been approved and the permit issued.

(a) Application for permit.

The application (Form 5110.74) shall be submitted to the regional director (compliance) and shall set forth the following information:

- (1) The information required by §19.912 (a);
- (2) Statement of maximum total proof gallons of spirits that will be produced and received during a calendar year:
- (3) Information identifying the principal persons involved in the business and a statement as to whether the applicant or any such person has ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor under Federal or State law; and,
- (4) Statement of the amount of funds invested in the business and the source of those funds.

(b) Bond.

A bond of sufficient penal sum, as prescribed in §19.957, is required. The bond must be submitted on Form 5110.56 and approved before a permit may be issued.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.915 Large plants.

Any person wishing to establish a large plant shall make application for and obtain an alcohol fuel producer's permit. Operations may not be commenced until the application has been approved and the permit issued.

(a) Application for permit.

The application (Form 5110.74) shall be submitted to the regional director (compliance) and shall set forth the following information:

- (1) The information required by §19.912(a);
- (2) Statement of the maximum proof gallons of spirits that will be produced and received during a calendar year;
- (3) Information identifying the principal persons involved in the business and a

statement as to whether the applicant or any such person has ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor under Federal or State law;

- (4) Statement of the amount of funds invested in the business and the source of those funds;
- (5) Statement of the type of business organization and of the persons interested in the business, supported by the items of information listed in §19.916; and,
- (6) List of the offices, the incumbents of which are authorized by the articles of incorporation or the board of directors to act on behalf of the proprietor or to sign the proprietor's name.

(b) *Bond*.

A bond of sufficient penal sum, as prescribed in §19.957, is required. The bond must be submitted on Form 5110.56 and approved before a permit may be issued.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.916 Organizational documents.

The supporting information required by paragraph (a)(5) of §19.915, includes, as applicable, copies of--

(a) Corporate documents.

- (1) Corporate charter or certificate of corporate existence or incorporation.
- (2) List of officers and directors, showing their names and addresses. However, do not list officers and directors who have no responsibilities in connection with the operation of the alcohol fuel plant.
- (3) Certified extracts or digests of minutes of meetings of board of directors, authorizing certain individuals to sign for the corporation.
- (4) Statement showing the number of shares of each class of stock or other evidence of ownership, authorized and outstanding, and the voting rights of the respective owners or holders.

(b) Statement of interest.

- (1) Names and addresses of the 10 persons having the largest ownership or other interest in each of the classes of stock in the corporation, or other legal entity, and the nature and amount of the stockholding or other interest of each, whether the interest appears in the name of the interested party or in the name of another for him. If a corporation is wholly owned or controlled by another corporation, those persons of the parent corporation who meet the above standards are considered to be the persons interested in the business of the subsidiary, and the names thereof need be furnished only upon request of the regional director (compliance).
- (2) In the case of an individual owner or partnership, the name and address of each person interested in the plant, whether the interest appears in the name of the interested party or in the name of another for that person.

(c) Availability of additional documents.

The originals of documents required to be submitted under this section and additional items required under §19.918 such as the articles of incorporation, bylaws, State certificate authorizing operations, or articles of partnership or association (in the case of a partnership where required by State law) shall be made available to any ATF officer upon request.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.917 Powers of attorney.

The proprietor of a large plant shall execute and file with the regional director (compliance) a Form 1534 (5000.8), in accordance with instructions on the form, for each person authorized to sign or act on behalf of the proprietor (Not required for persons whose authority is furnished in the application).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.918 Information already on file and supplemental information.

If any of the information required by §§19.912 through 19.916 is on file with the regional director (compliance), that information, if accurate and complete, may be incorporated by reference and made a part of the application. When required by the regional director (compliance), the applicant shall furnish as a part of the application for permit, additional information as may be necessary to determine whether the application should be approved.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278, (26 U.S.C. 5181))

Changes Affecting Applications and Permits

§19.919 Changes affecting applications and permits.

When there is a change relating to any of the information contained in, or considered a part of, the application on Form 5110.74, the proprietor shall within 30 days file with the regional director (compliance), a written notice, in duplicate, of such change. Where the change affects the terms and conditions of the permit the proprietor shall within 30 days (except as otherwise provided in this subpart), file with the regional director (compliance), in duplicate, an amended application on Form 5110.74.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.920 Automatic termination of permits.

(a) Permits not transferable.

Permits issued under this subpart shall not be transferred. In the event of the lease, sale, or other transfer of such a permit, or of the authorized operations, the permit automatically terminates.

(b) *Corporations*.

In the case of a corporation holding a permit under this subpart, if actual or legal

control of the permittee corporation changes, directly or indirectly, whether by reason of change in stock ownership or control (in the permittee corporation or in any other corporation), by operation of law, or in any other manner, the permit may remain in effect until the expiration of 30 days after the change, whereupon the permit will automatically terminate. However, if operations are to be continued after the change in control, and an application for a new permit is filed within 30 days of the change, then the outstanding permit may remain in effect until final action is taken on the new application. When final action is taken on the application, the outstanding permit automatically terminates.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

§19.921 Change in type of alcohol fuel plant.

(a) Small plants.

If the proprietor of a small plant wishes to increase production (including receipts) to a level in excess of 10,000 proof gallons of spirits per calendar year, the proprietor shall first furnish a bond and obtain an amended permit by filing application under §19.914 or §19.915, as applicable. Information filed with the original application for permit need not be resubmitted, but may be incorporated by reference in the new application.

(b) Medium plants.

Where the proprietor of a medium plant intends to increase production (including receipts) above 500,000 proof gallons of spirits per calendar year, the proprietor shall first obtain an amended permit by filing an application under §19.915. A new or strengthening bond may be required (see §19.956). Information already on file may be incorporated by reference in the new application.

(c) Curtailment of activities.

Proprietors of large or medium plants who have curtailed operations to a level where they are eligible to be requalified as medium or small plants may, on approval of a letter of application by the regional director (compliance), be relieved from the additional requirements incident to their original qualification. In the case of a change to small plant status, termination of the bond and relief of the surety from further liability shall be as provided in subpart H of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.922 Change in name of proprietor.

Where there is to be a change in the individual, firm, or corporate name, the proprietor shall, within 30 days of the change, file an application to amend the permit; a new bond or consent of surety is not required.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.923 Changes in officers, directors, or principal persons.

Where there is any change in the list of officers, directors, or principal persons, furnished

under the provisions of §19.914, §19.915 or §19.916, the proprietor shall submit, within 30 days of any such change, a notice in letter form stating the changes in officers, directors, or principal persons. A new list reflecting the changes will be submitted with the letter notice.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-233, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.924 Change in proprietorship.

(a) General.

If there is a change in the proprietorship of a plant qualified under this part, the outgoing proprietor shall comply with the requirements of §19.945 and the successor shall, before commencing operations, apply for and obtain a permit and file the required bond (if any) in the same manner as a person qualifying as the proprietor of a new plant.

(b) Fiduciary.

A successor to the proprietorship of a plant who is an administrator, executor, receiver, trustee, assignee or other fiduciary, shall comply with the applicable provisions of §19.186(b).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172))

§19.925 Continuing partnerships.

If under the laws of the particular State, the partnership is not immediately terminated on death or insolvency of a partner, but continues until the winding up of the partnership affairs is completed, and the surviving partner has the exclusive right to the control and possession of the partnership assets for the purpose of liquidation and settlement, the surviving partner may continue to operate the plant under the prior qualification of the partnership. However, in the case of a large or a medium plant, a consent of surety must be filed, wherein the surety and the surviving partner agree to remain liable on the bond. If the surviving partner acquires the business on completion of the settlement of the partnership, he shall qualify in his own name from the date of acquisition, as provided in §19.924(a). The rule set forth in this section will also apply where there is more than one surviving partner.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.926 Change in location.

Where there is a change in the location of the plant or of the area included within the plant premises, the proprietor shall file an application to amend the permit and, if a bond is required, either a new bond or a consent of surety on Form 1533 (5000.18). Operation of the plant may not be commenced at the new location prior to issuance of the amended permit.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

Alternate Operations

§19.930 Alternating proprietorship.

(a) General.

- (1) An alcohol fuel plant, or a part thereof, may be operated alternately by proprietors if--
 - (i) The alcohol fuel plant and the proprietors are otherwise qualified under the provisions of this subpart, and
 - (ii) The necessary operations bonds (if any) and applications covering such operations have been filed with and approved by the regional director (compliance).
- (2) Where alternating proprietorship is to be limited to a part of a plant, that part must be suitable for qualification as a separate plant.

(b) Qualifying Documents.

Each person desiring to operate an alcohol fuel plant as an alternating proprietor shall file with the regional director (compliance):

- (1) An application on Form 5110.74 to cover the proposed alternation of premises.
- (2) Diagram of premises, in duplicate, showing the arrangement under which the premises will be operated. Diagrams will be prepared in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section.
- (3) Evidence of existing operations bond (if any), consent of surety, or a new operations bond to cover the proposed alternation of premises.
- (4) When required by the regional director (compliance), additional information as may be necessary to determine whether the application should be approved.

(c) Diagram of premises.

Each person filing an application for operation of a plant as an alternating proprietor shall submit a diagram of the premises. Where operations by alternating proprietors are limited to parts of a plant, a diagram which designates the parts of the plant that are to be alternated will be submitted. A diagram will be submitted for each arrangement under which the premises will be operated. The diagram will be in sufficient detail to establish the boundaries of the plant or any part thereof which is to be alternated.

(d) Alternation Journal.

Once the applications have been approved and initial operations conducted thereunder, the plant, or parts thereof, may be alternated. The outgoing and incoming proprietor shall enter into an alternation journal the following information:

- (1) Name or trade name;
- (2) Alcohol fuel plant permit number;

- (3) Date and time of alternation; and
- (4) Quantity of spirits transferred in proof gallons.

The alternation journal will remain in the possession of the incoming proprietor until the premises are again alternated whereupon it will be transferred to the new incoming proprietor.

(e) Commencement of operations.

Except for spirits transferred to the incoming proprietor, the outgoing proprietor shall remove all spirits from areas, rooms, or buildings to be alternated, prior to the effective date and time shown in the alternation journal. Fuel alcohol may be either transferred to the incoming proprietor or may be retained by the outgoing proprietor in areas, rooms, or buildings to be alternated when the areas, rooms, or buildings are secured with locks, the keys to which are in the custody of the outgoing proprietor. Whenever operation of the areas, rooms, or buildings is to be resumed by a proprietor following suspension of operations by an alternating proprietor, the outgoing proprietor (except proprietors of small plants) must furnish a consent of surety on Form 1533 (5000.18) to continue in effect the operations bond covering his operations. This is to be done prior to alternating the premises.

(f) Records.

Each proprietor shall maintain separate records and submit separate reports. All transfers of spirits will be reflected in the records of each proprietor. The quantity of spirits and fuel alcohol transferred will be shown in the production and disposition records of the outgoing proprietor. The quantity of spirits transferred will be shown in the receipt record of the incoming proprietor. Each outgoing and incoming proprietor shall include spirits transferred in determinations of plant size and bond amounts. The provisions of §19.921 regarding change in type of plant are applicable to each proprietor. Entries into these records will be in the manner prescribed in §§19.982, 19.984, and 19.986.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271; sec. 805(a), Pub. 96-39, 93 Stat. 275 (26 U.S.C. 5171); sec. 232 Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

Permanent Discontinuance of Business

§19.945 Notice of permanent discontinuance.

A proprietor who permanently discontinues operations as an alcohol fuel plant shall, after completion of the operations, file a letterhead notice with the regional director (compliance). The notice shall be accompanied--

- (a) By the alcohol fuel producer's permit, and by the proprietor's request that such permit be canceled;
- (b) By a written statement disclosing, as applicable, whether (1) all spirits (including fuel alcohol) have been lawfully disposed of, and (2) any spirits are in transit to the premises; and
- (c) By a report covering the discontinued operations (the report shall be marked "Final Report").

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1349, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5172, 5271); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

Suspension or Revocation of Permits

§19.950 Suspension or revocation.

Whenever the regional director (compliance) has reason to believe that any person holding an alcohol fuel producer's permit--

- (a) Has not in good faith complied with the applicable provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, or regulations issued thereunder; or
- (b) Has violated conditions of the permit; or
- (c) Has made any false statements as to any material fact in the application therefor; or
- (d) Has failed to disclose any material information required to be furnished; or
- (e) Has violated or conspired to violate any law of the United States relating to intoxicating liquor or has been convicted of any offense under Title 26, U.S.C. punishable as a felony or of any conspiracy to commit such offense; or
- (f) Has not engaged in any of the operations authorized by the permit for a period of more than 2 years; the regional director (compliance) may institute proceedings for the revocation or suspension of the permit in accordance with the procedures set forth in 27 CFR part 200.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5271))

Bonds

§19.955 Bonds.

An operations bond is required for medium and large plants. The bond will be executed, in duplicate, on Form 5110.56. Surety bonds may be given only with corporate sureties holding certificates of authority from, and subject to the limitations prescribed by, the Secretary as set forth in the current revision of Treasury Department Circular 570. However, in lieu of corporate surety the proprietor may pledge and deposit as surety for his bond, securities which are transferable and are guaranteed as to both interest and principal by the United States, in accordance with the provisions of 31 CFR part 225. The regional director (compliance) will not release such securities until liability under the bond for which they were pledged has been terminated.

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173); CH. 390, Pub. L. 80-280, 61 Stat. 648, 650 (31 U.S.C. 9301, 9303, 9304, 9306); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.956 Amount of bond.

The penal sum of the bond is based on the total quantity of distilled spirits to be produced (including receipts) during a calendar year. If the level of production and/or receipts at the plant is to be increased, and the bond is not in the maximum penal sum, a new or strengthening bond shall be obtained.

(a) *Medium plants*.

A medium plant which will produce (including receipts) between 10,000 and 20,000 proof gallons of spirits per year requires a bond in the amount of \$2,000. For each additional 10,000 proof gallons (or fraction thereof), the bond amount is increased \$1,000. The maximum bond for a medium plant is \$50,000.

(b) Large plants.

The minimum bond for a large plant is \$52,000 (more than 500,000, but not more than 510,000 proof gallons annual production (including receipts)). For each additional 10,000 (or fraction) proof gallons, the amount of the bond is increased \$2,000. The maximum bond for a large plant is \$200,000 (more than 1,240,000 proof gallons).

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-233, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.957 Instructions to compute bond penal sum.

(a) *Medium plants*.

To find the required amount of your bond, estimate the total proof gallons of spirits to be produced and received in a calendar year. The amount of the bond is \$1,000 for each 10,000 proof gallons (or fraction), subject to a minimum of \$2,000 and a maximum of \$50,000. The following table provides some examples:

Annual Production and Receipts in Proof Gallons

More than	But not over	Amount of bond
10,000	20,000	\$2,000
20,000	30,000	3,000
90,000	10,000	10,000
190,000	200,000	20,000
490,000	500,000	50,000

(b) Large plants.

To find the required amount of your bond, estimate the total proof gallons of spirits to be produced and received in a calendar year. The amount of the bond is \$50,000 plus \$2,000 for each 10,000 proof gallons (or fraction) over 500,000. The following table provides some examples:

Annual Production and Receipts in Proof Gallons

More than	But not over	Amount of bond
500,000	510,000	\$52,000
510,000	520,000	54,000
740,000	750,000	100,000
990,000	1,000,000	150,000
1,240,000		200,000

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173; sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.958 Conditions of bond.

The bond shall be conditioned on payment of all taxes (including any penalties and interest) imposed by 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, on compliance with all requirements of law

and regulations, and on payment of all penalties incurred or fines imposed for violations of any such provisions.

(Sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.959 Additional provisions with respect to bonds.

Subpart H of this part contains further provisions applicable to bonds which, where not inconsistent with this subpart, are applicable to bonds of alcohol fuel plants.

Construction, Equipment and Security

§19.965 Construction and equipment.

Buildings and enclosures where distilled spirits will be produced, processed, or stored shall be constructed and arranged to enable the proprietor to maintain security adequate to deter diversion of the spirits. Distilling equipment shall be constructed to prevent unauthorized removal of spirits, from the point where distilled spirits come into existence until production is complete and the quantity of spirits has been determined. Tanks and other vessels for containing spirits shall be equipped for locking and be constructed to allow for determining the quantities of spirits therein.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§19.966 Security.

Proprietors shall provide security adequate to deter the unauthorized removal of spirits. The proprietor shall store spirits either in a building, a storage tank, or within an enclosure, which the proprietor will keep locked when operations are not being conducted.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178); sec. 806, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 279 (26 U.S.C. 5202))

§19.967 Additional security.

If the regional director (compliance) finds that security is inadequate to deter diversion of the spirits, as may be evidenced by the occurrence of break-ins or by diversion of spirits to unauthorized purposes, additional security measures may be required. Such additional measures may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) The erection of a fence around the plant or the alcohol storage facility;
- (b) Flood lights;
- (c) Alarm systems;
- (d) Watchman services; or,
- (e) Locked or barred windows.

The exact additional security requirements would depend on the extent of the security problems, the volume of alcohol produced, the risk to tax revenue, and safety requirements.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178); sec. 806, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat.

Supervision

§19.970 Supervision of operations.

The regional director (compliance) may assign ATF officers to premises of plants qualified under this subpart. The authorities of ATF officers, provided in §§19.81 through 19.84, and the requirement that proprietors furnish facilities and assistance to ATF officers, provided in §19.86, apply to plants qualified under this subpart. The provisions of §19.75 of this part pertaining to the assignment of ATF officers and hours of operation, to the extent deemed necessary by the regional director (compliance), are applicable to plants qualified under this subpart.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1320, as amended, 1356, as amended, 1357, as amended, 1358, as amended, 1375, as amended, 1396, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5006, 5201, 5203, 5204, 5213, 5555); sec. 806, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 279 (26 U.S.C. 5202); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

Accounting for Spirits

§19.980 Gauging.

(a) Equipment and method.

Proprietors shall gauge spirits by accurately determining the proof and quantity of spirits. The proof of the spirits shall be determined using a glass cylinder, hydrometer, and thermometer. Proprietors may account for fuel alcohol in wine gallons. Unless proprietors desire to do so, it is not necessary to determine the proof of fuel alcohol manufactured, on-hand, or removed. The Proprietor may determine quantity either by volume or weight. A tank or receptacle with a calibrated sight glass installed, a calibrated dipstick, conversion charts, meters (subject to approval by the regional director (compliance)), or other devices or methods approved by the Director, may be used to determine quantity by volume. The proprietor shall ensure that hydrometers, thermometers, and other equipment used to determine proof, volume, or weight are accurate. From time to time ATF officers shall verify the accuracy of such equipment. Detailed procedures for gauging spirits are provided in 27 CFR part 30.

(b) When Required.

Proprietors shall guage spirits and record the results in their records at the following times:

- (1) On completion of production of distilled spirits;
- (2) On receipt of spirits at the plant;
- (3) Prior to the addition of materials to render the spirits unfit for beverage use;
- (4) Before withdrawal from plant premises or other disposition of spirits (including fuel alcohol); and
- (5) When spirits are to be inventoried.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended, 1358, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201, 5204))

§19.981 Inventories.

Proprietors shall take actual physical inventory of all spirits (including fuel alcohol) on bonded premises at least once during each period for which a report is required by §19.988. The results of the inventory shall be posted in the applicable records required by §19.982.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

§19.982 Records.

- (a) *All plants*. All proprietors shall maintain records with respect to: (1) The quantity and proof of spirits produced; (2) The proof gallons of spirits on-hand and received; (3) The quantities and types of materials added to render the spirits unfit for beverage use; (4) The quantity of fuel alcohol manufactured; and, (5) All dispositions of spirits (including fuel alcohol). Fuel alcohol may be recorded in wine gallons.
- (b) *Medium and large plants*. Proprietors of medium and large plants shall also record the kind and quantity of materials used to produce spirits.
- (c) *General requirements*. (1) The records must contain sufficient information to allow ATF officers to determine the quantities of spirits produced, received, stored, or processed and to verify that all spirits have been lawfully disposed of or used.
 - (2) Records which the proprietor prepares for other purposes (i.e. invoices or other commercial records) may be used to meet the record requirements of this subpart, so long as they show the required information.
 - (3) Where the format or arrangement of the record is such that the information is not clearly or accurately reflected, the regional director (compliance) may require a format or arrangement which will clearly and accurately reflect the information.
 - (4) Entries required by this subpart to be made into records will be made on the day on which the operation or transaction occurs. However, these entries may be deferred until the third business day succeeding the day on which the operation or transaction occurs when the proprietor prepares commercial records concurrent with the individual operation or transaction.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.983 Spirits rendered unfit for beverage use in the production process.

Where spirits are rendered unfit for beverage use before removal from the production system, the proprietor shall enter into the production records, in addition to the quantity and proof of spirits produced, the kind and quantity of materials added to each lot of spirits. In such a case, a separate record under §19.985 is not required. The quantity of spirits produced will be determined by substracting the quantity of materials added to render the spirits unfit for beverage use from the quantity of fuel alcohol produced and multiplying the resulting figure by the proof of each lot of spirits. The proprietor shall determine the proof of each lot of spirits. The proprietor shall procure a representative sample of each lot, prior to the addition of any material for rendering the spirits unfit for beverage use, and proof the sample in accordance with the provisions of §19.980(a). This paragraph applies to in-line addition of materials and to systems in which, before any spirits come off the production equipment, the proprietor adds materials for

rendering the spirits unfit for beverage use to the first receptacle where spirits are to be deposited.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-222, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.984 Record of spirits received.

The proprietor's copy of the consignor's invoice or other document received with the shipment, on which the proprietor has noted the date of receipt and quantity received, constitutes the required record.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.985 Record of spirits rendered unfit for beverage use.

The proprietor shall record the kind and quantity of materials added to render each lot of spirits unfit for beverage use and the quantity of fuel alcohol manufactured (which may be given in wine gallons).

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.986 Record of dispositions.

- (a) *Fuel alcohol removed.* For fuel alcohol removed from the plant premises, the commercial record or other document required by §19.997 constitutes the required record.
 - (b) Spirits transferred.

For spirits transferred in bond (including transfers from small plants) to a distilled spirits plant qualified under subpart G of this part or to another alcohol fuel plant, the commercial invoice or other document required by §§19.508 and 19.999 constitutes the required record.

(c) Other dispositions.

For spirits or fuel alcohol used or otherwise disposed of (e.g., lost, destroyed, redistilled) on the premises of the alcohol fuel plant, the proprietor shall maintain a record as follows:

- (1) The quantity of spirits (in proof gallons) or fuel alcohol (in gallons) and the date of disposition; and,
- (2) The purpose for which used or the nature of the other disposition.
- (d) Separate records.

Records for dispositions of fuel alcohol and spirits will be maintained separately.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.987 Maintenance and retention of records.

The proprietor shall retain at the plant where an operation or transaction occurs the records required by this subpart for a period of not less than three years from the date

thereof or from the date of the last entry made thereon, whichever is later. Whenever any record because of its condition becomes unsuitable for its intended or continued use the proprietor shall reproduce the record by a process approved by the regional director (compliance) under the provisions of §19.725. The records shall be available for inspectin by any ATF officer during business hours. For records maintained on data processing equipment, the provisions of §19.723 apply.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

§19.988 Reports.

Each proprietor shall submit an annual report of their operations, Form 5110.75, for the calendar year ending December 31. The proprietor shall submit this report to the regional director (compliance) by January 30 following the end of the calendar year.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. No. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

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Redistillation

§19.990 Redistillation of spirits or fuel alcohol received on the plant premises.

(a) Receipts for redistillation.

Proprietors of alcohol fuel plants may receive and redistill spirits. Fuel alcohol may be received on the premises of an alcohol fuel plant for the recovery by redistillation of the spirits contained therein. Spirits and fuel alcohol received for redistillation will be identified as such and will be kept separate from other spirits and fuel alcohol on the premises until redistilled. Spirits originally produced by the plant and subsequently recovered by redistillation will not be included in determinations of plant size and bond amounts. Spirits riginally produced at other plants and subsequently recovered by redistillation will be included in determinations of plant size and bond amounts.

(b) *Recordkeeping*.

- (1) The proprietor shall record in a separate record the following information for spirits and fuel alcohol received for redistillation.
 - (i) Date received;
 - (ii) Whether fuel alcohol or spirits;
 - (iii) Quantity received;
 - (iv) From whom received;
 - (v) Reason for redistillation;
 - (vi) Date redistilled; and
 - (vii) Quantity of spirits recovered by redistillation.
- (2) The proprietor's commercial record required for spirits by §19.999 or for fuel

alcohol by §19.997 and any other commercial record received covering spirits or fuel alcohol to be redistilled will be filed separately from other records. These records may be used in lieu of the record required by paragraph (b)(1) of this section when any missing information required to be shown has been entered upon the commercial record by the proprietor.

(c) Status.

Spirits recovered by redistillation will be treated the same as spirits which have not been redistilled. All provisions of this subpart and 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 (including liability for tax) applicable to spirits when originally produced are applicable to spirits recovered by redistillation.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1365, as amended, 1370, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5223, 5243); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

Uses, Withdrawals and Transfers

§19.995 Use on premises.

Spirits may be used as a fuel on the premises of the alcohol fuel plant at which produced and need not be rendered unfit for beverage use. Proprietors using spirits on the plant premises shall keep the applicable records concerning such dispositions as provided in §19.986(c).

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278, (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.996 Withdrawal of spirits.

Before spirits may be withdrawn from the premises of an alcohol fuel plant, they must be rendered unfit for beverage use as provided in this subpart. Spirits rendered unfit for beverage use (fuel alcohol) may be withdrawn free of tax from plant premises exclusively for fuel use.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5214); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.997 Withdrawal of fuel alcohol.

For each shipment or other removal of fuel alcohol from the plant premises the consignor shall prepare a commercial invoice, sales slip, or similar document. The consignor shall enter on the document the date, the quantity of fuel alcohol removed, a description of the shipment (for example, number and size of containers, tank truck, etc.), and the name and address of the consignee. The consignor shall retain a copy of the document as a record.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.998 Transfer in bond of spirits.

(a) Transfer between alcohol fuel plants.

A proprietor may remove spirits from the bonded premises of an alcohol fuel plant (including the premises of a small plant) for transfer in bond to another alcohol fuel plant. Bulk conveyances in which spirits are transferred shall be secured with locks, seals or other devices as prescribed by §19.96. The spirits need not be rendered

unfit for beverage use prior to transfer. Spirits so transferred may not be withdrawn, used, sold, or otherwise disposed of for other than fuel use.

(b) Transfer to or from other distilled spirits plants.

Spirits (not including spirits produced from petroleum, natural gas, or coal) may be transferred in bond from distilled spirits plants qualified under subpart G of this part to alcohol fuel plants. Alcohol fuel plants may transfer spirits in bond to distilled spirits plants qualified under subpart G of this part. Bulk conveyances in which spirits are transferred shall be secured with locks, seals, or other devices as prescribed by §19.96. The spirits need not be rendered unfit for beverage use prior to transfer. Spirits so transferred may not be withdrawn, used, sold, or otherwise disposed of for other than fuel use.

(c) Transfer procedures.

The procedures in §§19.999 through 19.1001 pertain only to the transfer of spirits between alcohol fuel plants. The procedures in §§19.506 through 19.509 and 19.770 pertain to the transfer of spirits from an alcohol fuel plant to a distilled spirits plant qualified under 26 U.S.C. 5171. The alcohol fuel plant transferring in bond spirits filled into portable containers to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant qualified under 26 U.S.C. 5171 shall mark each container as required by §19.1008(b). The procedures in §§19.508, 19.510 and 19.770 pertain to the transfer of spirits from a distilled spirits plant to an alcohol fuel plant.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5212); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.999 Consignor premises.

The consignor shall prepare, in duplicate, a commerical invoice or shipping document to cover each shipment of spirits. The consignor shall enter on the document the quantity of spirits transferred, the proof of the spirits transferred, a description of the shipment (for example, number and size of drums or barrels, tank truck, etc.), the name, address, and permit number of the consignor and of the consignee, and the serial numbers of seals, locks, or other devices used to secure the conveyance. The consignor shall forward the original of the document to the consignee with the shipment and retain the copy as a record.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5212))

§19.1000 Reconsignment in transit.

When, prior to or on arrival at the premises of a consignee, spirits transferred in bond are found to be unsuitable for the intended purpose, were shipped in error, or, for any other bona fide reason, are not accepted by such consignee, or are not accepted by a carrier, they may be reconsigned, by the consignor, to himself, or to another qualified consignee. In such case, the bond, if any, of the proprietor to whom the spirits are reconsigned shall cover such spirits while in transit after reconsignment. In addition, if the spirits are reconsigned to a distilled spirits plant qualified under subpart G of this part, an application to receive spirits by transfer in bond (on Form 5100.16) must have been previously approved for the consignee. Notice of cancellation of the shipment shall be made by the consignor to the consignee and the consignor shall note the reconsignemnt on his copy of the document covering the original shipment. Where the

reconsignment is to another proprietor, a new document shall be prepared and prominently marked with the word "Reconsignment".

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1362, as amended, (26 U.S.C. 5212); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.1001 Consignee premises.

(a) General.

When spirits are received by transfer in bond, the proprietor shall examine each conveyance to determine whether the locks, seals, or other devices are intact upon arrival at his premises. If the locks, seals or other devices are not intact, he shall immediately notify the area supervisor, before removal of any spirits from the conveyance. The consignee shall determine the quantity of spirits received and record the quantity and the date received on the document received with the shipment. The consignee shall retain the document as the record of receipt required by §19.984.

(b) Portable containers.

When spirits are received in barrels, drums, or similar portable containers, the proprietor shall examine each container and, unless the transfer was made in a secured conveyance and the seals or other devices are intact on arrival, verify the contents of each container. The proprietor shall record the quantity received for each container on a list, and shall attach a copy of the list to the invoice or other document received with the shipment.

(c) Bulk conveyances and pipelines.

When spirits are received in bulk conveyances or by pipeline, the consignee shall gauge the spirits received and shall record the quantity so determined on the invoice or other document received with shipment. However, the regional director (compliance) may waive the requirement for gauging spirits on receipt by pipeline if, because of the location of the premises, there will be no jeopardy to the revenue.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1358, as amended, 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5204, 5212); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.1002 Prohibited uses, transfers, and withdrawals.

No person shall withdraw, use, sell, or otherwise dispose of distilled spirits (including fuel alcohol) produced under this subpart for other than fuel use. The law imposes criminal penalties on any person who withdraws, uses, sells or otherwise disposes of distilled spirits (including fuel alcohol) produced under this subpart for other than fuel use.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1398, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5601); sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

Materials for Rendering Spirits Unfit for Beverage Use

§19.1005 Authorized Materials.

(a) General.

The Director shall determine and authorize for use materials for rendering spirits unfit

for beverage use which will not impair the quality of the spirits for fuel use. Spirits treated under this section will be considered rendered unfit for beverage use and eligible for withdrawal as fuel alcohol.

(b) *List*.

The Director will compile and issue periodically a list of materials authorized for rendering spirits unfit for beverage use. The list will specify for each material (1) name and (2) quantity required to render spirits unfit for beverage use. The list may be obtained at no cost upon request from the ATF Distribution Center, 7943 Angus Court, Springfield, Virginia 22153.

(c) Authorized material.

Until issuance of the initial list of materials authorized for rendering spirits unfit for beverage use, proprietors are authorized to add to each 100 gallons of spirits any of the following materials in the quantities specified.

- (1) 2 gallons or more of--
 - (i) Gasoline or automotive gasoline (for use in engines which require unleaded gasoline Environmental Protection Agency and manufacturers specifications may require that unleaded gasoline be used to render the spirits unfit for beverage use).
 - (ii) Kerosene,
 - (iii) Deodorized kerosene,
 - (iv) Rubber hydrocarbon solvent,
 - (v) Methyl isobutyl ketone,
 - (vi) Mixed isomers of nitropropane,
 - (vii) Heptane, or,
 - (viii) Any combination of (i) through (vii); or
- (2) \1/8\ ounce of denatonium benzoate N.F. (Bitrex) and 2 gallons of isopropyl alcohol.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-249, 52 FR 5961, Feb. 27, 1987]

§19.1006 Other materials.

If a proprietor desires to use a material not authorized under §19.1005 to render spirits unfit for beverage use, the proprietor shall submit an application to the Director. The application must state the name of the material and the quantity of material that the proprietor proposes to add to each 100 gallons of spirits. The proprietor may be required to submit an 8 ounce sample of the material with the application. Material that impairs the quality of the spirits for fuel use will not be approved. The proprietor shall not use any proposed material prior to its approval. Materials approved for use under this section will appear in the next subsequent issuance of the list of materials authorized for rendering

spirits unfit for beverage use provided for under §19.1005. The proprietor shall retain as part of the records available for inspection by ATF officers, any application approved by the Director under the provisions of this section.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-233, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

§19.1007 Samples.

A proprietor may take samples of spirits and fuel alcohol for testing and analysis. Samples of spirits may not be removed from the premises of the alcohol fuel plant. Samples of fuel alcohol may be removed from the premises of the alcohol fuel plant to a bona fide laboratory for testing and analysis. The proprietor shall indicate on sample containers that the spirits or fuel alcohol contained therein is a sample. The proprietor shall account for samples in the record provided for in §19.986.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-223, 94 Stat. 278 (26 U.S.C. 5181))

Marks

§19.1008 Marks.

(a) Fuel alcohol.

The proprietor shall conspicuously and permanently mark or securely label each container of fuel alcohol containing 55 gallons or less that will be withdrawn from the plant premises, as follows:

WARNING

FUEL ALCOHOL

MAY BE HARMFUL OR FATAL IF SWALLOWED

The mark or label shall be placed on the head or side of the container, and shall be in plain legible letters. Proprietors may place other marks or labels on containers so long as they do not obscure the required mark.

(b) Spirits.

When barrels, drums or similiar portable containers of spirits are to be transferred by a proprietor to a distilled spirits plant qualified under subpart G of this part, each container will be marked or labeled in plain legible letters on the side or head to show the following information:

- (1) Quantity in wine gallons;
- (2) Proof;
- (3) Serial number of container;
- (4) Name, address (city or town and State) and permit number of the alcohol fuel plant; and
- (5) The words "Spirits-For Alcohol Fuel Use Only".

Proprietors may place other marks or labels on such containers so long as they do not obscure the required mark. Serial numbers will be assigned consecutively commencing

with "1". When the numbering of any series reaches "1,000,000", the proprietor may recommence the series. The recommenced series will be given an alphabetical prefix or suffix. Where there is a change in proprietorship, or in the individual, firm, corporate name or trade name, the series in use at the time of the change may be continued.

(Sec. 232, Pub. L. 96-233, 94 Stat. 278, (26 U.S.C. 5181); sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

Subpart Z--Paperwork Reduction Act

§19.1010 OMB control numbers assigned pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act.

(a) *Purpose*.

This subpart displays the control numbers assigned to information collection requirements in this part by the Office of Management and Budget pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. 96-511. The Department intends that this subpart comply with the requirements of section 3507(f) of the Paperwork Reduction Act, which requires that agencies display a current control number assigned by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget for each agency information collection requirement.

(b) Display.

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